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Office to close

The Wayne Secretary of State branch office, located at 36131 East Michigan, will be closed on Oct. 21 and 22

for physical improvements.

The office will close at the end of the business day on Monday and re-open at 9 a.m. on Oct. 23.

People who need to conduct business on Oct. 21 or 22 may visit the Secretary of State office in Westland, Inkster or Canton.

Computers updated

The Social Security office, located at 2500 Hamlin Blvd., Inkster, will be operating at limited capacity from Oct. 24 through Oct. 31. During this period, a new computer system will be installed and office staff will be trained.

People may handle their Social Security business by contacting 1-800-722-1213, or they may schedule an appoint for benefits by calling the toll-free 800 number.

Other offices which can be visited in the are located in Wyandotte, Livonia and Dearborn.

Full operations will resume at the Inkster office on Nov. 3.

Volunteers sought

Volunteers are needed for the Westland Goodfellows in the following areas: president, vice president, treasurer, secretary and special events coor-

Contact Jerry Smith at 728-8888 or by pager, (313)

The group's next meeting is at 7 p.m. Oct. 15 at 32715 Dorsey Road, Westland.

Offices closed

All 178 Secretary of State branch offices will be closed in observance of the following state holidays:

Veterans Day, Nov. 11; Thanksgiving on Nov. 27 and 28; Christmas on Dec. 24 and 25, and New Year's on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, 1988.

Motorists whose driver's licenses or license plates expire during any of the holidays should renew early.

Secretary of State offices are open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and most branch offices are open Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Spiderman visits Members of the Romulus High School junior class pose with their Spiderman-equipped float minutes

before it joined the 1997 Homecoming Parade. Shown at the right of the float are Alec Hance, Annie Carter, Tracy Atherton, Carrie Brown and Maggie Nehila. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

Girl, 6, saves ill mom

A remarkably mature sixyear-old Romulus girl is being praised this week for her lifesaving effort, after her epileptic mother suffered a "grand maul" seizure and fell unconcious on Oct. 6.

Lona Council, resident manager of the Concorde Club Apartments on Niagara street, reported that the young hero Karaminka Brown ran into her office about 4:30 p.m. and reported that her mother was not feeling well. Brown immediately alerted 9-1-1.

The apartment manager ran to the Brown apartment with the young girl and found Pam Brown sprawled out on the bed. Seconds later the mother began gasping for air and appeared to fall unconscious, Council said.

Without seeking directions the first grader raced to the family vehicle and came back with an inhaler, since the mother was also suffering from an apparent asthma attack.

She was not afraid of the situation and took charge by not panicking.

Lona Council

The girl gently, but firmly nudged the inhaler between her mother's lips and squeezed the medicine into her mouth. A short time later the mother's condition began to improve, as Romulus Firefighters and EMS technicians arrived.

They praised Karaminka's adult-like actions and rushed one mother to nearby Annapolis Hospital in Wayne for further treatment. She was kept overnight for observation and returned home the next

Council was so impressed

with young Karaminka's efforts, that she wrote a letter of praise to her principal Tina Hatcher and teacher Verla Larson at Thomas Gist Academy in Westland.

"I felt impelled to let the school and her parents know what a strong young lady they are rearing. She was not afraid of the situation and took charge by not panicking," Council wrote.

"Her courage and ability to think fast on her feet possibly saved her mother's life," Council added.

Council later also contacted Mayor William Oakley's office and this writer at the Romulus Roman and informed them of Karaminka's efforts.

In her letter to Oakley, Council stated "with so much bad news going on it is indeed a privilege to have something as wonderful as this happen in our community."

A spokeswoman for Oakley's office said that an official city resolution honoring Karaminka was already being prepared for her.

Rape try foiled by citizen, policemen

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

A sharp-eyed neighbor and Romulus police teamed up to nab a Ninja- style youth, who broke into a Brandt street home with plans to rape a local woman, Romulus Youth Officer Jeff Lazarski revealed Monday.

The 15-year-old boy was spotted by a neighbor as he broke through a window of the home last Thursday shortly before noon and police were called immediately.

Patrol officers who were at a nearby location, responded and nabbed the boy hiding under a bed with a ski-mask in one hand.

The young defendant was dressed totally in black. Police found in his possession a water pistol wrapped in black tape (so as to look like a real weapon) and an unloaded gun he stole only minutes before in the intended victim's home.

The youth also had a telephone cord, scarf and large sock that he planned to use to tie up and gag the intended

"Basically he was trying to use techniques he learned

Basically he was trying to use techniques he learned from television crime shows.

- Jeff Lazarski

from television crime shows," Lazarski said.

Police also recovered several folding knives from the boy's possession.

Several youth complaints were filed against the boy via Juvenile Court and he was remanded to the Wayne County Youth Home in Detroit.

Lazarski praised the neighbor and police teamwork and urged area residents to remain vigilant "since this incident could have happened in any neighborhood.

Area residents wishing to organize Neighborhood Watch programs should call the local police headquarters (941-8400) and ask for Sgt. Kreg Booker.

Ferrara hearing is off to Oct.

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Judicial Tenure Commission's hearing into reputed racial, religious and ethnic epithets suspended Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Angela Ferrara is alleged to have made in private phone conversations will resume at 8:45 a.m. Oct. 27 in the 34th District Court of Ro-

If it continues beyond that day, officials said, it would then jump to Nov. 5 for another day of potential witness testimony. No other dates have been listed for the hearing at this time.

Last Friday Ferrara's exhusband, Howard Tarjeft, was called to be a witness by the suspended judge's defense team, but never took the stand because of a series of delays and Ferrara's afternoon medical appointment. Tarjeft did become a factor

in the day's hearings however, despite the fact that he never really did enter the courtroom to testify.

As the hearing was about to

take a lunch break, a friend of Ferrara was seen tossing a lovelorn page of advertisements at him in the court hallway and called out "I think you could use these." Court Officer Al Hindman

immediately banished the woman from the courthouse for creating a "disruptive and offensive" incident. After the lunch break, defense lawyers claimed they had planned to call the woman and Tarjeft as witnesses that afternoon. The woman never returned

to the courthouse that day and Ferrara said she didn't want to be absent from her exhusband's testimony. Former 36th District Court

Judge Vesta Svenson (who is conducting the hearing) acknowledged Ferrara could leave for her 3 p.m. doctor's appointment and agreed "he (Tarjeft) shouldn't be able to mention his own name without your presence."

But showing signs of deep

frustration Svenson angrily fined the defense team \$200 for the delay tactics and then The cumbersome Michigan adjourned the hearings until after she returns from her trip to England. She left the U.S. on

> When the defense team issued a claim they didn't think the woman witness could have returned in time for the afternoon hearing, Svenson chided them by saying "if the Pope was in Bloomfield Hills, even he could have been here in a hour or less." (Ferrara also faces a per-

> sonal fine for a contempt of court action a week earlier, when she refused to testify on issues concerning the phone tapes. The amount has not been announced yet by Svenson.)

When and if Tarjeft takes the stand on Oct. 27 (nothing to date has been proved to be guaranteed timewise in the hearing), he is sure to face stiff questions from Ferrara's lawyers, who contend the taped phone messages used against their client are illegal and possibly even manufactured. The divorced couple have

been battling in recent years over the custody of their three children, twin 14-year-old boys and an 11-year- old girl. Tarjeft has indicated that he

made the tapes to protect himself in that legal battle to "level the playing field" since his ex-wife is a county judge. Ferrara claims he created the tapes to coerce her into dropping requests for custody of their two sons and suspending any penalties he has facing him for not making court ordered payments for the children's care in past years. The case against Ferrara is

sure now to extend into 1998, since Svenson has 28 days following this year to file her report with the tenure commission. That nine member unit then has to make a recommendation to the Michigan Supreme Court.

The state's top court then will have the final decision on any penalty Ferrara could

Write-in candidate 'Everyone should run once'

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Franklin Ayers Jr., a 41-

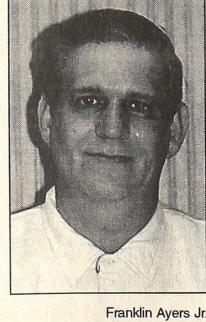
year-old Romulus pizza manager, who states he has helped other candidates win office since the 70's, has entered this year's City Council race as a write-in candidate. Ayers' father unsuccessfully

sought the city treasurer's office back in 1973, but this is the first time he has sought public office himself.

The feedback he has received while campaigning is that many local residents are not happy with current council actions, Ayers said. The voters feel the current council members simply reflect special interest groups, rather than the public at large, he said.

"It seems that the council members do whats best for

themselves even if it is not in the best interest of Romulus citizens," he said. After watching years of hearings and over \$700,000 being spent on legal fees, Ayers



Franklin Ayers Jr.

asks why the city doesn't put the "deepwell issue on the ballot and end the battle once and for all." He personally is opposed to the well's operation in Romulus.

Because his job keeps him at work 60-plus hours a week, Ayers said, he is forced to view the council sessions on TV. But Ayers said he has learned a lot from campaigning this year. "Everyone should run for political office, at least once. It is a real education," Ayers ad-

Ayers, the father of two grown children and several step children, said he not only favors a projected city swimming pool, but also a roller skating rink. The first-time candidate

also favors a full-time fire department, since Romulus is now growing both industrially and in the number of houses. He also favors improving

the city's road system, complaining some are not even paved yet for the first time. A 1974 Romulus High School graduate, Ayers

worked as an over the road independent truck driver for 23 years. He now manages and is part- owner of the Cottage Inn Pizza shop. He is not a member of any

local civic or social club.

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Safety first!

Having a safe Halloween is no trick

Halloween can be great fun - but it can also be one of the most dangerous nights of the

Parents or care givers should accompany children, especially young ones, on their trick-or-treat rounds, according to Oakwood's Keep Kids Safe team.

Following are a few simple safety tips that can make all the difference:

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· Set a predetermined course/route in areas that they are familiar with.

 Instruct children never to enter the home/apartment of someone they don't know and to only approach homes that have a porch or outside light

· Set a specific time for trick-or-treaters to return home and instruct them not to sample any treats before you have inspected them. (Some police departments set up candy inspection stations on

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· When you inspect the treats be sure they have not been tampered with and are safely sealed. Be careful with fruit as punctures and holes can be missed.

• To prevent falls, apply face paint or make-up on the child, rather than a mask which can obstruct vision.

· If you allow a mask, be sure it fits securely an that you cut eye holes large enough for full vision. Also make sure the costumes don't slip over the

Fun Festival

p.m. Oct. 17

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721-7044 for information.

The Wayne-Westland

YMCA is hosting a Family

Fun Festival from 5:30 to 9

dogs and chips, balloons, Dino Bouncer and open fam-

through yards. Hidden hazards (lawn ornaments, clotheslines, etc.) can cause injury. When trick-or-treating, chil-

· Remind children to stay on

sidewalks rather than to cut

dren often hurry to visit as many houses as possible. They often dart out between parked cars. Running out into the street accounts for most of the pedestrian fatalities among children, 14 and younger. To avoid this danger, have each child carry a flashlight, use costumes with light or bright colors and decorate them with reflective tape. Remind youngsters to stop at all street corners and look left, right and left again before crossing.

Motorists should be reminded to slow down in residential areas, to obey all traffic signals and signs, to

Tyler Whipple of Canton, 2, is all set for the Halloween season. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

watch for children and to discharge their passengers on the curb side rather than the

Burns and fires are the third leading cause of unintentional injury- related death to children. When choosing a child's costume, be sure to look for flame-resistant fabrics,

masks an wigs. If making the costume, use fire resistant materials.

By following these rules, Halloween can be a real "treat" for everyone.

Halloween rules are provided by the Keep Kids Safe program a part of the Oakwood Healthcare System.

What's happening on Halloween?

Halloween is getting bigger and scarier every year!

From a one-night trick-ortreat event, Halloween has grown to a month-long festival of thrill and chills plus many outdoor fall events and activ-

Here's what is scheduled so far:

 The 10th annual Haunted Theatre continues through Halloween at the Palace Theatre, 35164 West Michigan Ave., Wayne. Proceeds of the event will go to the theater restoration fund. Call 728-SHOW for information.

· Nightmare on Orchard Lake -- Farmington Area Jaycees sponsor a Haunted House on Oct. 17-19, 23-26 and 30-31 at Orchard Lake Road, south of 14 Mile Road, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday and Sunday and 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Admission \$5. Friendly Monster Matinee at 1-3 p.m. Oct. 25.

· Wayne County Parks, 1 to 3 p.m. Oct. 25, Halloween Festival '97 at Hines Park/Nankin Mills Picnic Area, spook-free fun for ages 12 and younger.

Comedy, magic and juggling by Ben Spitzer and music, puppetry and story telling by Maureen Schiffman. Call Wayne County Park at 261-

· Ypsilanti -- Downtown Trick-or-Treat from 5 to 7 p.m.

· Westland - Oct. 23, 24 and 25, Halloween Walk at Central City Park and 2nd Annual Boo Bash (date to be announced).

• State Park - Mother Nature's Halloween Trail, Oct. 18 at Bay City State Recreation

 Great Zoo Boo at Binder Park Zoo in Battle Creek, from Oct. 18 through Oct. 31 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Eleven tons of carved and painted pumpkins, hundreds of bales of straw and cornstalks will be featured at this event, billed as "delightful, not frightful."

Dearborn features a Devil's Night Rendezvous from 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 25. Hauntings with an environment twist are featured for families from to register.

· Madonna University --Ninth Annual Halloween Haunt from 1 to 5 p.m. Oct. 26 in the Activities Center. Admission is free.

• Lake Erie Metropark - Out of the Muck: Scary Stories from the Marsh at 2 p.m. Oct. 26. Pre-registration is required

 Kensington Metropark --Halloween Naturally for ages 1-4 on Oct. 24; Halloween Hoopla, from 1 to 5 p.m. Oct. 25; Great Pumpkin Craft Fun at 2 p.m. Oct. 26. Call 248-685-0603 or 1-800-477-3178 for information and registration.

· Van Buren Township --Haunted Forest in Van Buren Park, open 7:30 to 10 p.m. Oct. 17-18 and 25-26, \$5 for Adults and \$3 for children, 11 and younger. Trick or Treat at township hall at 7 p.m. Oct. 30.

 Belleville -- Belleville High School Halloween Con-· University of Michigan-cert, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Oct. 30, and Trick or Treat in downtown Belleville from 5 to 7 p.m. Oct. 31.

Editor's note: Call 729-4000 (Editorial Department) to list through Oct. 14. Call 593-5538 your local Halloween activities.



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Bazaar held on Oct. 18

The annual Bazaar, hosted by the First United Methodist Church of Wayne, is being held from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oct. 18.

There will be a cafeteria luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and a turkey dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be bazaar booths,

baked goods and crafts.

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Some Find Excuses While Others Find Solutions

Dear Percy Ross: I know a woman who is 27 years old. She's single and a full-time student. Her passion in life is to work with physically challenged young adults. She only has one quarter left before attaining her teaching certificate. Neither time or money are on her side. She has multiple sclerosis and even with medication and therapy her condition has progressively worsened in the last year.

What she needs is a home health aide to attend classes with her so she can get there in a timely manner and help manage the unpredictable. I'd like to help with this but would need to put my 2 children in daycare, which is an expense my husband cannot afford. At a cost of \$100 per week for 10 weeks, that's \$1,000. I can budget for \$250 by cancelling cable TV and other nonessentials but that's all. Could you spare \$750? This woman means the world to me, Mr. Ross. She's my sister and I love her with all my heart.

Mrs. M. N. ... Evening Telegram, Superior, WI

Dear Mrs. N.: When you truly love someone, you'll be there for that person in his or her time of need. Many people find excuses as to why they can't follow through on this premise. You, on the other hand, have found a solution because my \$750 is in the mail. Best of luck to you both.

Dear Mr. Ross: Your advice may prove more fruitful than your money in my particular case. I'm about to start my own printing company. I have the equipment, leased space, knowledge of the industry and tons of enthusiasm and energy to back me.

Capital is tight, but I estimate I can carry 6 employees for the first year and break even based on my current commitments from clients. As for advertising, I'm going to give a 20-percent discount for the first year on every lucrative referral I get from my customers. You know what they say about word-of-mouth advertising! What advice can you give a young entrepreneur getting started?

Mr. P. H. ... Daily Dispatch, Brainerd, MN

Dear Mr. H.: Hidden costs will eat you alive unless you're prepared for them. Phone costs, utilities, supplies, pay roll deposits and insurance are items you haven't mentioned being in the budget. Without them you'll never get your business off the ground. Send me a pro forma including these costs and I'd be happy to review it.

If you're looking for a reputable person to write you commercial insurance, I recommend you contact Mr. Fred Ashenbrenner with J. A. Price Agency, Inc. at (612) 944-8790. In addition to being honest about his golf score, he's guaranteed me he will give you the best possible rate. Good luck and let me hear from you again with those hard figures.

Mr. Ross: I've written you around a dozen letters for help. It seems very unfair that you can send \$450 for a pooper scooper business or \$1,000 for a woman who is depressed and has bad luck.

Let me tell you what depression is-it's writing you week after week and getting no answer. In 10 years I haven't taken a vacation or purchased any new clothes. All I have to last me until next month is \$80. How do you propose I do that? I don't think you help peopleyou hurt them.

Ms. H. H. ... The Dispatch, Columbus, OH

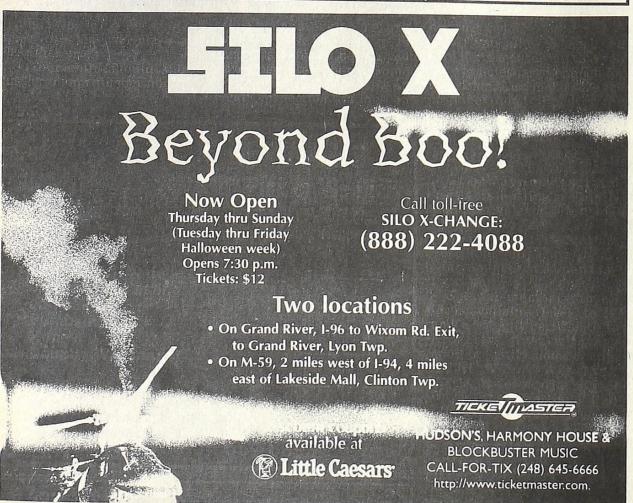
Dear Ms. H.: When a person writes a vague, nonspecific request, I feel like I'm throwing money at a problem I don't fully understand. If you write me again, be sure to include the who, what, where and how. I can't promise I'll send you any money, but your chances will be greatly improved.

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3 named as sponsors

James Wellner and Thomas Hitchmough of Wayne and Westland resident Alex Demartos have become Founding Sponsors of the Michigan Vietnam Monument.

They participated in the campaign to raise funds to build the monument in Lansing on the State Capitol grounds.

The names of all Founding Sponsors will be listed in the Founding Sponsor Registry which will be maintained at the Michigan Department of Military & Veterans Affairs in Lansing.

Registration starts on Nov. 17

Madonna University's open registration for Winter '97 begins Nov. 17 and continues through Jan. 2 for new and returning students.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and until 7 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays with the exception of Dec. 15, 18 and 22 when the office will close at 5 p.m.

Call 432-5339 for more information.

Arts, crafts offered

On Wednesdays from 1 to 3 p.m., the Westland Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) will offer an Arts & Crafts class. Call 722-7632 for informa-

Cardiovascular check slated

A cardiovascular safety check is slated from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 26 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Ar-

The testing includes blood pressure, cholesterol, body fat analysis and personal cardiac risk assess-

For more information, call Suzanne Mahler at 313-665-0014.

Girl Scouts win award

The Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council is one of 20 Girl Scout councils nationwide to earn recognition for innovative "best practices" designed to increase its outreach to all girls.

The Quality Recognition Award was presented to MMGSC for demonstrating exemplary "Best practices in designing a marketing and recruitment strategy based on census data."

Canton man elected

Dr. Gregory B. Ferman Canton has been elected vice president of the Michigan Optometric Association at the organization's 101st annual convention.

Ferman is a 177 graduate of Illinois College of Optometry, and previously served as association secretarytreasurer and trustee.

He practices optometry in Plymouth.

Rivers hosts forum

Congresswoman Lynn Rivers will host a Women's Life and Health Issues Forum from 12:30 until 4:30 p.m. at the McKinney Union on the Eastern Michigan University campus in Ypsilanti.

Pre-registrations can be made by calling 722-1411 or 741-4210.

Multi-unit display

Law enforcers discuss innovations

By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

The Summit on the Park Community Center in Canton Township looked more like a law enforcement supply showroom, as police agencies from around the state gathered for a symposium, "Innovations in Law Enforcement."

According to Director John Santomauro of the Canton Public Safety Department, this was the first time anything like this has ever been done in the State of Michigan. As a part of the Southeastern Michigan Chiefs Association, Santomauro said they had talked about doing the symposium for the past two years, but a scenario never presented itself for them to have a chance to do

They were finally able to do it, with the idea that elected officials, finance directors and others could come and see what other departments are using in the fight against crime. Some of the topics displayed and discussed at the symposium, held Oct. 7, included weighmaster, K-9 units, motorcycle patrols, bicycle patrols, Special Operations Team, and community polic-

"The symposium is geared for practitioners, and was also an opportunity for non-police, those responsible for funding, to see what state-of-the-art items are available," Santomauro explained. "It also allowed the practitioners to get together to talk."

Van Buren Township's Public Safety Department took this opportunity to show-off their marine division. Their display included a new boat, diving equipment, and a wave runner.

According to Police Lieutenant Ken Brooks, this past summer was relatively quiet, with no major incidents to report.

Fire Lt. Anthony Karver explained that Van Buren's marine division is probably the busiest, next to the Wayne



On display are Van Buren and Canton DARE vehicles.MCN photo by

County Sheriff's Department. Of course the only other local dive team around is at Metro Airport.

"We do a lot of training through the year, including ice dive and rescue training," Karver said. "Three times last year we had calls about dogs or unknowns, where people see a hole in the ice and want us to make sure nothing has fallen through."

Although they have thermal diving gear, to protect against hypothermia, Karver explained that winter makes for the worst diving conditions.

"You have to make a hole in the ice, then you have to maintain the hole without breaking the ice further," he said. "The cold isn't bad, but when you get out of the water, everything freezes. If you don't find what you were looking for, you have to make sure your suit is ready for you to go back in."

The marine unit and wave runner patrol Belleville Lake from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Most of the time is spent doing safety checks on boats, making sure boaters have the proper equipment and number of life jackets. According to Karver, the biggest problem they find is overloaded boats, which is a problem as boats do have a tendency to tip over.

Van Buren's Public Safety was also represented by their K-9 unit, and two DARE cars

Host Canton Township also had their K-9 unit, DARE van, and bicycle patrol on hand. They were also proud to show off an item purchased with an important part of their job

money from their department and the Plymouth-Canton School District.

The radar unit can be found in school zones and subdivisions throughout the school year. The unit has a sign displaying the speed limit. Beneath that, your speed is shown. According to Canton Police Lt. Rob Cripe, the unit is used to deter speeders. It also has the capability to do traffic counts.

"It is a good deterrent," he said. "It lets people know how fast they are going. If they see their speed flash up on the sign, they generally slow down. Sometimes we have a motorcycle patrol officer sit behind the sign. That way, if someone doesn't slow down, we can stop

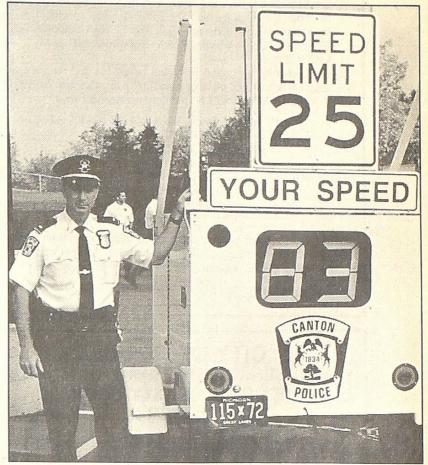
The sign is rotated to different school zones in the area. It was purchased in 1995, and the department is considering getting another unit.

Last year, Officer Terry Foley, and his partner, Axel, were called on 290 times in the City of Wayne. Axel is one of two K-9 units in Wayne, the other is Bullet, whose partner is Officer Jason Wright.

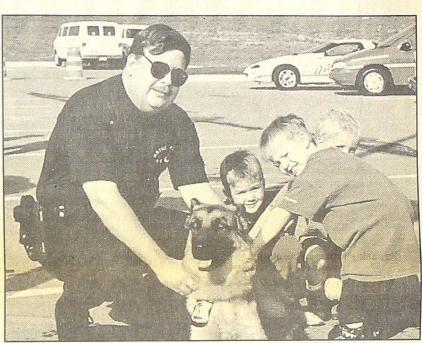
"He's a full-service dog," Officer Foley explained. "He does everything but bomb detection. Axel is used to sniff for narcotics, tracking, finding lost children, lost seniors, and bad guys.

Axel, 3, and Foley do normal patrol work, but, if a dog is needed, they're on the job.

Officer Foley explained that



Canton Lt. Rob Cripe displays the radar unit at the Canton Police Symposium.MCN photo by Lori Gillespie



Wayne Officer Terry Foley and Axel attracted the attention of Stuart Miller, 4, Nick Weber, 3, and Clifford Wellman, 4, of the Belleville Day Care Center.MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

is community outreach. Last at the K-9 Academy, which seryear, he and Axel took part in 60 public demonstrations, going out to pre-schools, senior complexes, and block clubs. Foley is a master instructor

vices 31 departments.

"He's always with me," the officer explained. "The dogs must live with their handlers. This keeps them sociable."

Muse seeking seat on Belleville council

By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

The election for the Belleville City Council is now

less than a month away. Janet Muse, a resident of the city for 14 years, is one of those seeking election to the council.

Married to Dr. Richard R. Muse, the two have one adult child, James.

Janet Muse, 57, graduated from Ferndale High School in 1958, and attended Highland Park Community College, Detroit Business Institute, and Madonna University.

She is an instruction and family services assistant with the Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA) of Wayne County, where she has been employed since 1974. Muse coordinates training for the organization and runs a support staff training program for 85 people.

Muse had an unsuccessful bid for office in 1985, when she ran for the Belleville City Council. She is the chairperson for the Belleville Downtown Development Authority and the Belleville Board of Canvassers.

"I know I can make a positive difference for Belleville and its citizens," she said. "My current term with the DDA ends this November. I would like the citizens to give me the opportunity to use my strong organizational and developmental skills to maintain our small town atmosphere and still develop a town that meets the needs of our citizens, and makes us all proud that we live in Belleville."

Uniting the mayor and council may lie in both focusing more on the issues and less on personalities, according to

"You can't control someone else's behavior, but you can control your own," she commented. "When you talk to another person, you get to decide whether you want to act or react. Confronting people leads to resistance. Confronting problems leads to solutions.'

Muse believes there are several issues at stake in the up coming election. Conflict between public officials, the future of the city, and code and ordinance enforcement were among those listed by Muse.

She believes public officials should focus on issues, problems and tasks. They should also be held to a higher standard of behavior. Muse suggests creating an Ethics Policy for public officials and city employees.

The future of Belleville hinges on getting a variety of shops, restaurants and services to the downtown area. Muse believes the council needs to create an aggressive plan to apply for state and private financial grants to develop the city. There should also be a marketing plan developed to promote the city to new developers and businesses. Muse would like to see the council create a Public Safety Commission, which could continue with the efforts being made to create a Public Safety Plan.

She would also like to see city facilities be updated, rec-



Janet Muse

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Janet Muse

reational sites and activities expanded for all ages, and a plan developed to provide senior citizen transportation.

As far as code and ordinance enforcement go, Muse would like to see equal and fair enforcement of codes and ordinances for all citizens and businesses. She also believes copies of all codes and ordinances should be readily available to citizens at city

Long-time resident, Baker seeks election

By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

A resident of Belleville for 53 years, Robert "Bob" Baker would like to serve on the city council.

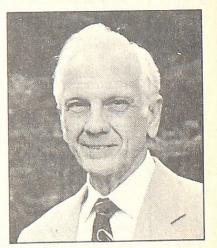
Baker, 71, is married to Millie, together they have three adult children. Prior to living in Belleville, Baker resided in Van Buren Township.

He graduated from Belleville High School in 1943, and attended Wayne State University. He was a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Baker is an electrical contractor and business owner. He has never been a candidate for office before. However, he is the current chairman of the Belleville Planning Commission, and belongs to the Belleville Rotary Club, of which he is the president. In 1991, Baker was selected to be a Group Study Exchange Leader to Columbia, South America.

Baker said he decided to run for office, "To be a part of a City Council that will work together, with the mayor, to achieve a positive outlook for our beautiful city on the lake. With the experience of our long-time residents, and dreams of our new residents, we can develop a future to benefit everyone, and every citizen has a right to be heard in a courteous manner at all times by a citizen sensitive government."

To unite the mayor and council, Baker said he would try to encourage open and honest communication between all concerned. He also believes an office at City Hall



Robert Baker

would allow the mayor to be a more frequent caller and also improve personal contact.

Baker believes there are several major issues involved in the upcoming election, including citizen communication, capital expenditures, open dialogue with citizens, and treatment of citizens.

"I believe it is a tragedy for the police department to issue parking tickets for street sweeping violations without first having an adequate notification method," Baker stated. "Or, having the Department of Public Works (DPW) remove landscaping soil from the street in front of a residence without first knocking on the door and finding out why it was there."

The council candidate believes the city must develop long-range priorities for capital expenditures to avoid problems like the current need to replace a fire engine or provide police department equip-

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS BID 97-54

AT POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FIRE STATIONS #1 AND #3

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BID ENVELOPES SHOULD BE MARKED CITY CLERK CITY OF ROMULUS, MICHIGAN BID 97-54

ROOF REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT AT POLICE DEPART-MENT AND FIRE STATIONS #1 AND #3 11111 WAYNE ROAD ROMULUS, MI 48174-1472

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existing gasoline station.

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS BID 97-55

SINGLE AXLE DUMP TRUCK WITH DUMP BODY, UNDERBODY SCRAPER, SALT SPREADER, TARP AND TRAILER HITCH

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CITY OF ROMULUS MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD SEPTEMBER 22, 1997

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, Randolph Gear.

Present: Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth Absent: None

Excused: None Administrative Officials in Attendance: William Oakley, Mayor, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to approve the agenda as

approved.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to approve the minutes of the Romulus City Council held September 8, 1997.
Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-415

3A. Motion by Raspberry, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and introduce an amendment to the official zoning map of the City of Romulus to change the C-2/C-3 (General Business/Highway Service) split zoning to all C-3 (Highway Service) 15024 Middlebelt Road (DP# 137-99-0001-000) for an addition of lube and car wash bays at the

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-416

3B. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Collins to follow the recommendation of the Planning Commission and grant Special Approval Land Use (PC-047-08-97) to Smith & Shurman Associates, Inc. for an air freight forwarding facility in an M-1 (Light Industrial) zoned district, subject to the recommendations of the City Planner, City Engineer, Department of Public Works, Fire Department, Police Department, and submittal of a landscape maintenance plan. Further, semi-trucks must exit the site from Middlebelt Road.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-417

3C. Motion by Collins, supported by Wadsworth to grant tentative Preliminary Plat approval for PC-031-06-97, a single family residential subdivision to be known as "The Commons" Subdivision located on 28.27+ acres (part of DP# 027-99-0002-000) on the east side of Hannan Road between Ecorse and Tyler Roads.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-418

3D. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to grant tentative Preliminary Plat approval for PC-032-06-97, a single family residential subdivision to be known as "The Farms" Subdivision located on 15.3+ acres (DP#s 025-99-0010-006 & 025-99-0010-708) on the east side of Cogswell Road between Ecorse and Wick Roads.

Roll Call Vote showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-419

3E. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to grant a No Fee Permit to the Full Gospel Church of Plymouth to hold a Tent Revival from September 29, 1997 to October 4, 1997.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 3F. No action taken.

97-420

3G. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to forward the proposals to amend the Code of Ethics Ordinance and the proposal to repeal the Officers Compensation Ordinance, as submitted by Jim Rarey to the City Attorney for review and recommendation. Further, to forward a copy of the Attorney's opinion to Jim Rarey.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-Collins, Raspberry. Motion Carried. 97-421

4A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Raspberry to reappoint Dolores Witzgall and Carol Harriff to the Cable Communications Commission with terms to expire June 5, 2000.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-422

4B. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a resolution of support of the Annual Crop Walk to be held October 5, 1997. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-423

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Chairperson's. Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-424

5A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to appoint Paul S. Lewkowicz term to expire January 23, 2000 and Sandy Schwartz Tenney to the Recreation Commission with term to expire January 23, 2001.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-425

5B. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to grant authorization to let bids for Library Tables.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-426
5C. Motion by Collins, supported by Romak to grant authorization to

purchase six (6) Self Contained Breathing Apparatus from Master-Tek at a total cost of \$8,700.00.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-427

5D. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to award Bid 97-30 for a High Pressure Air Bag System to the only bidder to meet all specification, Apollo Fire Equipment in the amount of \$3,520.00

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-428

5E. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Collins to award Bid 97-43 for Pavement Marking to the only bidder RS Contraction in the total amount of \$14,225.82.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-429

5F. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Collins to grant authorization to purchase six Portable Radios and a Rapid Charger from Motorola

through the State Bid in the amount of \$5,085.00. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-430
5G. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Raspberry to grant authorization for Repair of the Motor Carrier Wheel Load Weight Unit in the amount of \$1,381.40.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-431

5H. Motion by Collins, supported by Romak to approve the contract from Municipal Street Lighting behind Merriman Elementary School along the pathway from the school to the subdivision in the amount \$2,444.20. The annual electrical cost will be paid by the Romulus Community Schools.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Abstain-Raspberry. Motion Carried. 97-432

5I. Motion by Collins, supported by Romak to introduce Budget Amendment 97/98-7 as follows:

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.		UNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
GENERAL FUND 267-000.00-970.000	Capi	tal Outlay	100,000	7,500	107,500
FUND BALANCE Narcotics Enforceme	nt Found	AVAILABI 381,066	LE APP	PROPRIATE 7.500	REMAINING BALANCE 373,566

To appropriate funds for carpet for the Police Records Bureau and the police Investigative Service Program.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Abstain-Raspberry. Motion Carried. 97-433

5J. Motion by Raspberry, supported by Wadsworth to grant authorization to purchase six computers for the Clerk's office with a complete warranty plus maintenance on Bid 97-24 for a total of \$8,210.00. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-434

5K. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Collins to award the Bid for installation of the play structure at Fernandez Park to Don Young Landscape, Inc. in the amount of \$11,200.00

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 5. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Mayor's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 6A1. Item withdrawn.

97-435

6A2. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Crova to schedule a Public Hearing on Monday, October 13, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485 for the purpose of hearing comments on the request of W.A. Thomas Company, 15385 Pine Drive for a twelve (12) year tax abatement on real and personal property in an existing Industrial Development District. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspbe-

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-436

11A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Collins to authorize the payment of Warrant #97-18A in the grand total amount of Seven Thousand, Four Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$7,410.00).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-437

11A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to authorize the payment of Warrant #97-18 in the grand total amount of Six Hundred and Ninety Eight Thousand, One Hundred and Thirty Two Dollars and Two Cents (\$698,132.02)

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Abstain-Crova. Motion Carried. 11. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes-Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays-None. Motion Carried Unanimously. Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held September 22, 1997.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan Publish: October 16, 1997

K-9 units closer; food volunteers requested by city

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The implementation of two K-9 units within the Romulus Police moved two steps closer Monday night, as the City Council approved the K-9 Academy of Romulus to purchase and train the dogs and officers and okayed the transformation of the vehicles into dog-carrying units.

The request came from Mayor William Oakley and Police Chief Charles Kirby for the purchase of the two German Shephard dogs and the training of both the animals and the officer/handlers at a cost of \$14,000.

It is expected that the dogs will come from Europe, Kirby had said earlier.

The council also approved without debate a contract with Reighard Graphics for \$18,062 for alterations and markings for the planned two K-9 patrol vehicles.

It also was announced that Debbie Dick of the Romulus Volunteers are urged to call Dick at 942-6852.

Recreation Department is seeking volunteers to help present food to the needy in Romulus.

The food will be distributed from 9 a.m. to noon Nov. 20 and the third Thursdays of the month after that from the Recreation Building on Bibbins street.

Volunteers are urged to call Dick at 942-6852.

A group from the Romulus High School Leadership Class was expected to petition the council in favor of the proposed city recreation center, but they did not appear at the meeting.

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS BID 97-53 THREE (3) UNDERBODY TAILGATE SALT SPREADERS

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BID ENVELOPES SHOULD BE MARKED CITY CLERK CITY OF ROMULUS, MICHIGAN BID 97-53

THREE (3) UNDERBODY TAILGATE SALT SPREADERS
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ROMULUS, MI 48174-1472

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CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS BID 97-56 TWELVE YARD COMBINATION SEWER CLEANER

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Personality Profile

Susan Rowe discovers fascinating career

By SHARON POPEK MCN Special Writer

Susan Rowe began an exciting new job last February which has led to several new international friendships for both Susan and her husband.

Officially, she is the program assistant for the Ford/ China Visiting Engineer program through the University of Michigan at Dearborn. She also works with Russians through the Special American Business Internship Training Program, which involves Ford and U of M/Dearborn, too.

Her responsibilities include getting the interns settled in an apartment at the Springwells Apartment Com-



Susan Rowe

plex at Rotunda and Greenfield; helping them with grocery and other shopping; helping them get an American Driver's License (remember when your 16-years-old was

They are all so anxious to see everything they

can.

Susan Rowe

learning to drive?) and acting as a surrogate "Mother" for the six months they are here. She also helps with their English lessons which they take four or five hours a weeks from Peter Marshall at U of M. "The Chinese study hard but seem to have a harder time speaking our language which requires moving their tongue and lips".

"Women are included in the group of engineers from Russia but the Chinese government has only sent men. Maybe we'll send two women in five years or so but women are not into engineering here", she's been told.

Learning who has the right of way is the biggest obstacle in their learning to drive. In China, rickshaws and bicycles have the right of way. The University provides them with leased cars and medical insurance, and Ford Motor Company pays them a salary.



Susan and her husband, Ed, take some time out together. MCN Special

Thirteen Russians have returned home and 12 are still here but others will be coming, she said.

"They are all so anxious to see everything they can. They just drive everywhere in their spare time" reports Susan.

She and Ed gave an "Italianfest" at their home on Elm Street to demonstrate how Amercians entertain and Coca-Cola was the biggest hit for all of them.

"With all the changes in the Russian states, it's really been hard for some to cope with the chaos of their economy. The workers in the Russian plants are making the most money as compared to those who have a doctorate degree.

Political leaders, residents attend EPA deepwell hearing

MCN Staff Writer

Romulus/Taylor political leaders and residents were among the 125 persons who turned out last Thursday night to protest against any possible awarding of federal Environmental Protection Agency permits for a hazardous deepwell project on Citrin drive in Romulus.

While the citizen count and the emotions were lower than in the past, the message was just as strong-reject the deepwell permits presented by Environmental Disposal Systems.

It was noted that some of the above number included EPA personnel.

Attorney Mark Jacobs, who has been handling the Romulus legal battle against EDS, set the tone of the meeting by stating "sometimes I question the purpose of meetings such as that being held tonight. The EPA should wait until the applicant obtains all the local permits needed, before calling such a meeting.'

Because of the reverse actions, cities such as Romulus are forced to pay high fees (over \$700,000) to keep such unwanted wells out of their

neighborhoods, Jacob said. "In addition the long term battle against EDS has had an irreversible impact on many lives of city residents," the lawyer added.

Like others, Jacobs related his "frustration that anything we say tonight will have any impact on the future EPA decision."

Jacobs questions came following statements from state leaders such as Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) and Rep. Ray Basham (D-Taylor) as well as Assistant Wayne County Executive Cameron Priebe.

Several Romulus council members spoke out against the well including Deborah Romak, Mary Collins and William

Romak decried the fact that Romulus has served as a waste dump site for the midwest and Canada for too many decades and several old toxic sites have been treated by Super Fund clean-up efforts in recent years.

She asked "How much do the residents of Romulus need to endure?'

Collins attacked the well applicant by saying "integrity is not one of EDS' code words." She also complained that if the well permit is granted the EPA will likely rely "too much on company records at the well site, rather than federal inspections."

Wadsworth said "it sickens me that a second well site is being considered, when the first well location hasn't finished its way through the court cycle yet!"

Private citizen Sondra Stepchuk reminded EPA officials that Michigan still is the largest source of fresh water in the nation and that "once toxic waste enters that water the damage is done and there is no turning back."

EDS officials continue to vow that the hazardous well project is totally safe for Michigan residents.

Romulus mayoralty candidate Leo Knasiak chided "incumbent Mayor William Oakley for not being here tonight."

Oakley, who had talked to Werbach on the phone earlier, submitted a written comment via a city council person. Oakley was appearing on his "Mayor's Chair" call-in TV show at the same time.

Written comments from area residents will be accepted by the EPA through Oct. 24. They should be sent to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Direct Implementation Section (Attention-David Werbach), 77 W. Jackson (WU-16J), Chicago, Ill. 60604.



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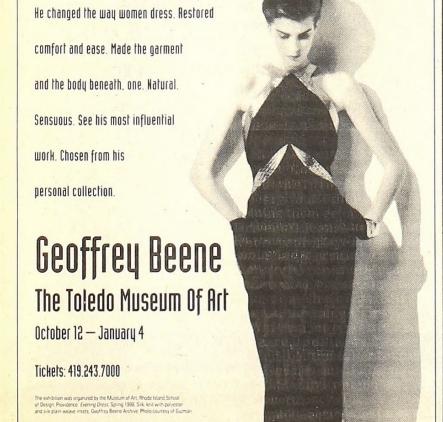
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Wayne council candidates state views

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

The general election will be Nov. 4. There are eight candidates running for four city council seats in the city of Wayne. To help voters understand each candidate's opinions, MCN asked each candidate to answer two questions. The first one will be published this week and the second one next week.

Question: Does the city of Wayne need a new fire hall and a new police station?

Answers as follows: Norma Collop answered, "Yes. The police and fire divisions are our most important people. When we need assistance whether it be an emergency or not, they are there to help us. Both departments are in need of additional space. Having worked at the police department as a clerk/ dispatcher I'm aware of the problems that are involved with an outdated building. If you walk in the front door of the fire department you will notice the file cabinets and the close quarters that the workers have to contend with each day. Location, location, location is number one. If both departments were housed in the same building in a large area with ample parking and accessibility for all citizens, it would be advantageous to everyone."

 Pam Dobrowolski responded, "Consideration for

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expanded police and fire facilities should be determined by the needs of the community and acted upon within the constraints of the current budget without an additional tax burden to the citizens of Wayne. The additional administration and operational costs to operate larger facilities should be included in the cost projection for these buildings."

• Abdul "Al" Haidous answered, "Yes. The city of Wayne has evolved through many technological advances that have helped us to achieve goals that were only dreams less then 20 years ago. These goals are a safe, peaceful environment that have and will allow many cultures to co-exist with one another. Unfortunately, techniques in crime and arson have also escalated in a manner that we did not dream of 20 years age. Today's criminals and arsonists have equipped themselves with the latest weaponry and technology to perpetrate their criminal activities. In order to combat these more equipped, more aggressive criminals, gangs and arsonist, our police and fire departments must have the latest equipment in training, fire fighting, and computer enhanced crime equipment to help continue to keep the city of Wayne safe for the rest of us. Once you are unable to fight these types of crimes effectively and effi-

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breakdown in our city's current growth and development. Our current facilities are not capable of handling these tasks. Only an investment within our police and fire departments to upgrade their facilities and equipment will allow them to protect our city. An investment towards our police and fire departments is an investment towards our fu-

· Josephine Lentine noted, "Since I did not have the opportunity to be involved in the study sessions regarding the necessity to build a new fire and police station, I don't feel that I'm in a position at this time to indicate the need for these facilities.

"As a council person, I would entertain a motion to have an outside, non-biased, professional agency study both facilities and recommend to the council the need for, or lack of need, for a new fire and police station. Without a doubt, I would seek the input of the citizens of Wayne."

 Phil Palmer responded, "It is my belief that we do need a new fire facility. I for one, took a tour of the fire station, before the election. I think that ciently, you will see a fast the structure is sound, but the

facility is not large enough. this is also my opinion concerning the police station. I would say that we need a combined facility for both the fire and police. This would cut cost, building and maintaining two separate facilities.

"I feel that the most important thing that came out of this election concerning these issues was the fact that the people of Wayne, spoke up and voiced their opinions over a issue that the city council thought was cut and dried. It is shameful that we had to go through all of that and spend money on an election, just so we could have a voice. Seven people should not have the right to make that kind of decision and spend that kind of money without the opinion of the people being concerned."

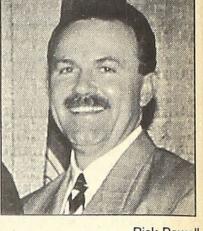
• Rick Powell answered, "In my opinion we do; the reason is we need to be fiscally responsible. The manner in which we are compensating the city is very costly. We rent jail space, send our officers elsewhere for training just to remain certified. Also our female firefighter shares the same quarters; all this due to the fact both facilities are too small and outdated. These are just a couple reasons we need better facilities for those men and women who do a great job day after day."

· Shirley Powser responded, "Yes, Wayne needs a new fire hall and police station as both facilities are inadequate and outdated. If the newspaper would buy a copy of the city's charter (\$10.00), then the paper would know that the citizens of Wayne have spoken and the issue of new or rebuilt can not be brought up until April 1999.

"When this issue is brought up again, in 1999, I would like to see the citizens of Wayne fully informed on both facilities. We can inform the citizens by, going to neighborhoods, sitting down with the citizens and discussing the issues. Not by arguing in the council cham-



Shirley Powser



Rick Powell



Norma Collop



Pam Dombrowski



Phil Palmer



Al Haidous



Josephine Lentine



Parents help students succeed

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

Madison Elementary has the formula to student achievement: It is schools and parents working together.

Parent involvement is important to a child's education, said Mary Goedert, principal Madison Elementary School.

"We have really strong parents involvement at Madison," she said.

The PTA at Madison is in-

strumental to many programs from the proceeds of their school.

Last year's annual fall fund raiser raised \$41,000. The school got to keep half of the money. This year they are selling Morley candy again and also coupon books.

"Madison families are very good with fund raisers," said Connie Kilgore, PTA member.

They have refurbished the playground equipment and or-

dered some new equipment

Kilgore was the cochairman of the playground project.

fund raiser last year

She said they organized painting bees this summer. Parents and students painted all of the equipment in bright red, yellow, blue and green.

The PTA is also responsible for the Accelerated Reader program and some of the computers in the school. Birth-

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Driver not guilty in auto death

A Livonia man who was charged with negligent homicide in the death of a Canton woman in November, 1996, has been found not guilty by a Wayne County Circuit Court

John Gorski, 22, was accused of driving his car at least 60 mph in a 45 mph zone along Warren Road, just east of Lilley, while apparently trying to prevent another car from pass-

Gorski veered his car off the road to avoid a collision with another car driven by Kevin Butler, 17, also of Canton. Gorski's vehicle struck a ditch and rolled over several times, throwing his passenger, Carolyn Juelgel, 55, to her death. Juengel's finance suffered spinal injuries in the crash also after being thrown from the

According to testimony, Gorski was allegedly driving his Camaro about 35 mph when Butler first attempted to pass him. Speeds of both cars reached nearly 65 mph when they approached the curve and Gorski drove off he road.

Canton police had originally requested that both men be charged in the fatality, however, the prosecutor's office only charged Gorski.

Gorski requested a bench trial, and was found not guilty by Judge James Chylinski.

Park visitors win bikes at Metropark

Six new mountain bikes and other prizes have been given to drawing winners of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks "Wear the Gear" safety program that was conducted this summer on its paved trails.

Sarah Henry, 9, won the bike that was given away at Lower Huron Metropark. She, along with 2,380 other bikers and in-line skaters throughout the Metroparks, was eligible for the drawing after she was "caught" wearing the appropriate safety gear while using one of the Metroparks "paved

A park ranger observed Henry, her mother, father and her brother, Ian, in-line skating and biking with all the safety gear-- helmet, wrist guards, knee pads and elbow pads, for skating and helmet for biking-while on Lower Huron's 4-mile

"The goals of the program were to increase awareness of the need to wear safety equipment when in-line skating and bicycling," says Frank J. Sudek, Metroparks director," and to encourage our guests to wear that equipment by giving them a chance to win prizes. Park users are more aware of the need to use safety equipment when biking as a result of this program."

The HCMA has a total of 40 miles of paved, multi-use trails in eight Metroparks, Insuring that they are used in a safe manner is a continuous, multifaceted effort, says Sudek. In addition to conducting the "Wear The Gear" program, the HCMA continues to repave, widen and re-align paths where necessary and as the budget allows.

Halloween facts, customs reported

Even in ancient times, Halloween was a festival for ghosts, goblins and witches as well as a time for pranks and mischief.

Halloween began in the 5th century as a night when Celtic tribes believed the spirits of the dead looked for a body to inhabit for the coming year. To avoid being chosen, they devised methods to frighten the roaming souls away - bonfires, noise and scary costumes.

It was the evening before All Saints Day (Nov.1), and originally it was called All Hallows Eve, which became Hallow's Even and eventually, Halloween. In general, harvest time marked the end of the year when it was believed that the "veil" between the living and the dead was at its thinnest. Thus, Halloween was a good time to reach the de-

parted. Some facts and superstitions about the holiday which were gathered by the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, include the following:

 In Wales, each member of a family marked a white stone and threw it into the hot ashes of a bonfire before going to sleep on Halloween. If any of the stones were missing by morning, they believed a death in the family would surely occur before next Halloween.

 In Old Brittany, families put out warm pancakes and cider for dead souls to eat when they rose from their cold, barren graves to visit their homes before the coming of winter.

 When Irish immigrants came to American during the 1840 potato famine, they brought with the Halloween customs of costumes and mischief. Two of the popular

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members in the PTA but

Goedert said when Madison

has a special program, the vol-

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year for field trips.

Halloween began in the 5th century...

pranks were upsetting outhouses and unhinging gates

 Trick-or-treating was one of the last elements to emerge in the celebration of American Halloween. It became popular after 1920 and first began during the Thanksgiving custom for children to dress up and beg from house to house on the last Thursday in November. Later, people began trick-ortreating for Halloween to scare off the ghosts and demons by dressing up in costumes.

 The Jack O'Lantern got its name from a turn-of-the century prankster named Jack, whom after his death, was said to have tried to play tricks on the devil. He was sentenced to roam the earth forever carrying a lantern. He was called Jack of the Lantern, which was later shortened to Jack O'Lan-

Old-time games connected with Halloween were always related in some way with future wedded bliss.

Popular games were:

 Peeling apples in one continuous piece and throwing it over the left shoulder to see the initials of your future

 Blowing out lighted candles to determine the number of years that will elapse before marriage.

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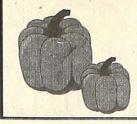
Parent

Goedert said.

At last years SPARK Day, Continued from page A-6 Science Plus Activities Reach Kids, there were parent volunday lunches are sponsored evteers at every booth. ery month by the PTA.

"If you ask people they will come. Parents really want to help as much as they can. Sometimes they are just waiting to be asked," she said.

Goedert said studies show if a parent is involved in a child's education, that child will be a higher achiever, make friends easier and have better social



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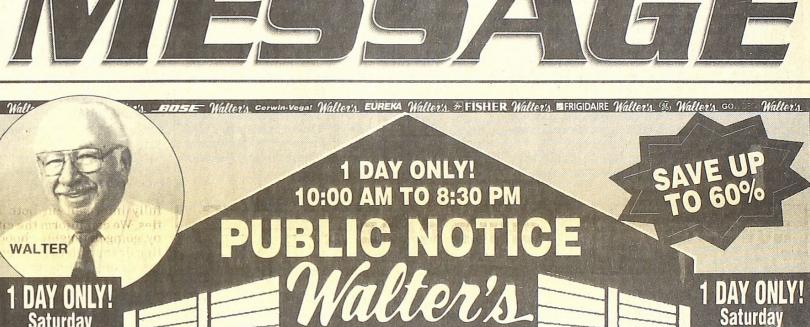






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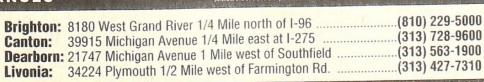
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I-75 journey ends in Florida

For the first time in 15 years I'm on an extended vacation. I've chosen to stay away from the exotic ports of call, i.e., Paris or Hong Kong, in favor of a good old-fashioned drive down I-75 to Florida.

Now the last time I made this trip I experienced a hold up at a gas station. I had stopped at in Georgia and had to pull off the side of the road twice in Florida when cops had blocked off several lanes of I-75 in Florida attempting to recapture three escaped convicts.

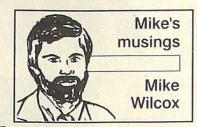
Needless to say, I approached this new trip with some trepidation. What would I encounter this time around? Could I stay away from work for more than a couple days without suffering severe pain?

Getting out of Western Wayne is an adventure in itself. Leaving early on a Friday morning was a challenge as we fought normal rush hour traffic and lane closures all the way sout on I-275 and I-75 to Toledo. I can attest out of the six states we traveled in, Michigan wins, by a wide margin, the award for the worst roads. I guess our recent vote to up taxes on gasoline was after all, a good idea. Maybe the current road construction on I-275, Michigan, etc. will make our roads a little better.

I've always found Ohio to be a microcosm of Michigan. The cities are mostly industrialized and the infrastructure old. The most interesting Ohio city is Cincinnati. It offers unique architecture, historic old buildings and hills that deviate from the typical boring, flat Ohio countryside.

Kentucky and Tennessee always add excitement to the driving experience. The Smoky mountains and their endless beauty are a sightseer's paradise. Driving, however, can be treacherous in the snow and ice. Early October however, brought nothing but isolated patches of fog. The small towns along the way could easily have been captured on canvas by Norman Rockwell. My favorites are Berea, Kentucky, and naturally, Gatlinburg Tennessee.

After 10 hours we chose to stop in Adairsville, Georgia, a hamlet about 50 mile north of Atlanta.



Talk about your typical Southern town. This was right out of the old television show, Dukes of Hazard. One restaurant a Waffle House and a truck stop. The motel, a Travelodge was old and unkempt. We slept in our clothes. Dinner at the Waffle House was OK if you fancied grits and biscuits. Apparently many of our neighbors for a night did, because the place was packed.

Sleeping on a rock hard mattress across the street from a busy truck stop made for grouchy moments in the morning as we began our last leg (another 10 hours) to our Florida destination. Getting through Atlanta was a breeze thanks to the Olympics causing I-75 to widen to 12 lanes. In past trips my nerves would be frazzled negotiating the traffic through this magnificent city, but today we enjoyed the sights.

Southern Georgia and northern Florida remind me a lot of northern Michigan. I-75 meanders through miles of wilderness. No houses in sight. No commercial strips. Just pine trees and occasional wildlife. What once were billboards promoting the next Horne's or Stuckey's (a combination restaurant and gas station) are sadly now promoting the next roadside topless joint.

We reached our destination, safe and sound, ready to enjoy the beaches and Disney World. That night before nodding off to sleep, I turned on the local news. It seems many of the locals were protesting the launch of the Titan rocket from Cape Canaveral. The rocket carrying 72 pounds of plutonium, billed as the Cassini mission headed for a seven year trip to Saturn was billed as unsafe by the protesters and if it happened to explode over Florida would endanger the lives of thousands.

Wouldn't you know after 15 years without a vacation and a 22-hour drive, I had come to the very place where my life could disintegrate. No wonder why I never bothered to get away from Western Wayne.



Hearing aid helpful

To the editor:

Bill Clinton has been fitted for two new hearing aids. Now maybe he will be able to hear Republican suggestions for a balanced budget, reform of welfare, and a revision of medicare-medicaid programs.

Now that the ears are in good working order, what are we going to do about the man's doublespeak?

> Neil Goodbred Livonia

Editorial lauded

To the editor:

Thank-you, thank-you and thank-you again for your recent editorial regarding the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority Incinerator. You made some excellent points and I truly hope that somebody out there is paying attention. This deal is no deal and I have been trying to warn people of that fact for over 3 years. Unfortunately when others and myself first tried to get the Westland City Council to "take a long, hard look" at this proposal we were told there was no need, for they had "studied the issue

thoroughly' Apparently not too thoroughly as they now feel the need to seek legal counsel and closed private meetings to discuss future consequences regarding this public venture. I understand their fear of potential lawsuits, it is a very real fear, one they should have considered before they welcomed these outsiders into our community. Lots of money can be made when these type of sweet deals come to unsuspecting towns promising to fix what ails the community. (In our case an old incinerator that needed lots of costly updates) However, the initial cozy relationships can turn sour when hints of pulling out start to surface.

My GOD hasn't anyone in Westland been following what has happen in Romulus? Your car-

FOOTNOTES: What is the main feature you would want in a 1998 car?

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toon regarding the hazardous injection well where the man standing knee-deep in a legal mess is pleading "is there no end to this?!" will likely be re-run on the incinerator if Westland and all of the authority cities don't reconsider their support of the waste-toenergy proposal soon.

I'm speaking out about this issue not only because I believe that incineration is the wrong alternative but because I care about the financial future of our City. Myself and others, on behalf of the C.H.E.C.K. group, were recognized in April of 1993 by the Westland City Council for our involvement in environmental issues within the city. Our persistent oversight of the Cooper School contamination issue earned us both state and national honors. We have credibility because we are not out for personal gain, how many others involved with the incinerator deal can say that?

Cheryl Graunstadt Westland

Jars are reminder

To the editor:

Recently, while sealing up the last of the summer's tomato crop in Mason jars, it occurred to me why I loathe the stock market as a long term investment.

I concluded that the stock market is, in the long run, basically a "break even" investment. Here's

The "economy" should be thought of as a very large hermetically sealed mason jar. Inside the jar are all the goods and services available to the economy and the money supply available to purchase them.

If you increase the money supply without increasing the available goods and services, inflation results. And, of course, vice versa for deflation.

But, historically, within the universe of available goods and services, money is not allocated

equally. Sometimes, more money flows into "real assets" like houses and farms, eggs and wages. Other time, money pours into "financial assets" like stocks and bonds. However, at all times, both real and financial assets share the same limited money supply.

UK. So far so good. Here's where is gets weird.

The reason that Fed chairman, Alan Greenspan, has such a "worried look" lately is that he has been steadily increasing the money supply to keep the current stock market bubble inflated. Now, he is concerned that some of that new money supply may start to slosh back into the real econo-

my causing "real asset inflation." This is the kind of inflation that Greenspan and his buddies on Wall Street dislike. Of course, Greenspan and his wealthy Wall Street chums see nothing wrong with grotesquely inflating financial assets, like stocks, at over 30

But, alas, the stock market is a cruel and demanding mistress. And, financial assets do tend to create "bubbles" that are awfully hollow inside. It is only the constant pressure of ever increasing money inflows that keep the bubble inflated.

Greenspan's dilemma is how to feed the stock market bubble without eventually causing inflation in the real economy. After all, he can't create new money stamped "For Wall Street Only."

Eventually, the bubble will burst and money will slosh back into the real economy until the equilibrium between real assets and financial assets is re-established. Then, the rate of return on chicken farms will again equal the rate of return on mutual funds. The "stock mania" will be over:

Which leads to the conclusion that, in the long run, the only way to really increase your net worth

is to work for it. Canning tomatoes can be very

educational Walter Warren

Westland

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Halloween remembered

Halloween was one of my favorite times of the year when I was a youngster - time to put aside reality and take on a fantasy for one night of the year.

As I recall, I was a bookish child who would rather read than play games. But, each Halloween I put aside my serious nature and became a gypsy princess (a popular costume of the time). With the addition of some of my mother's old jewelry and a touch of make-up, I was a princess.

No hobo, ghost or goblin costume for me! But, some of my friends did dress up - or dress down as hoboes, and no one commented that they were insensitive to the feelings of the transient homeless.

Halloween was just plain fun for us - a special evening to stay up late, dress up in costume and collect a bag full of goodies to devour over the next few weeks, chocolates first and Mary Janes last.

In my neighborhood, we said, "Help the poor," instead of "Trick or Treat." This immediately separated the neighborhood kids from the outsiders (those from other blocks) when we knocked on doors and sang out our pleas. Finally, as I recall, the newer phase caught on and we abandoned our "Help the Poor" in favor of "Trick or Treat."

It's a good thing we did, because had we not, children of the politically correct 1990s would be compelled to say, "Give aid to the financially disadvantaged," or "Help those less fortunate than ourselves due to social conditions or past inequities.

For those who want to be extra sure of not offending anyone, the children's greeting could be, "Help those of us who are dressing in costumes of the poor, not to mock them or make light of their situation, but in order to better understand their condition and empathize with them, while working to improve their lot in life," rather than the brief, "Help the Poor."

In those days, and few will remember the innocent days of the past, we went inside people's homes. It was customary for neighbors, especially the elderly or mature childless couples, to invite the beggars into their homes to admire their costumes and ask them for a song or recitation. We giggled a lot, but finally let our-

Reflections selves be coaxed into singing a verse from a nursery

rhyme or a popular tune. It was an accepted part of Halloween to provide a bit of entertainment to our elderly neighbors, who rewarded us with home-baked chocolate chip or peanut butter cookies or home made popcorn balls

and apples. Just as children of today must do, we'd search our Halloween bag (old pillow case) for coins, and sometimes among the pennies, we'd find a nickel or a dime. If someone had dropped a quarter in our bag, it would have produced a near riot of young-

sters fighting for a place in line at the door. As I recall, we always shared our good luck with the other beggars by calling out when we passed, "Hershey bars on the next block," "Everyone in the apartment across the street is giving out candy" or "Nothing good past here!"

We washed our apples when we got home - mom made us - and we never needed to look for foreign objects inside the apples or check the candy for

Halloween was fun, because it was a community activity - adults watched out for youngsters, kids entertained the shut-ins and lonely neighbors, and people gave from their hearts the foods they had prepared themselves.

Kids today may have computers, high-tech games, spending money, cool clothes and endless toys, but they don't have what I had as a kid - a real Halloween in my old neighborhood in Detroit.

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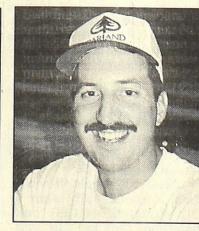
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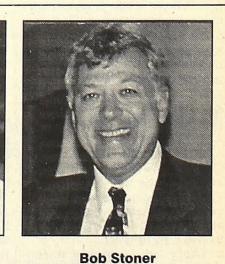


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Belleville There's quality in all of the new cars, so I'd go for the looks.

Letters

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Vacant homes threat to city

To the editor:

I am writing you concerning all the abandoned houses and buildings that are boarded up. Which I myself think is a threat to the community.

I think if you're going to make Inkster a better looking city, you should first tear down all the old abandoned houses and other building, before you start putting up new buildings and new golf clubs.

We don't need new buildings and golf clubs until we tear down all the old ones that

All these vacant and old abandoned houses and buildings are saying is "here is a good place for the drug dealers and criminals to hide or conduct their business."

Too concerned of Inkster V.F.

Editor's note; Name withheld by request.

Pupil spending questioned

To the editor:

On Thursday, Oct. 9, State Senators Loren Bennett R-Canton and Bob Geake R-Northville wrote in a letter to the editor of the a newspaper that: "Our children are far too important for anyone to play politics with their future."

Remarkably, I had spent two hours just the day before at a Summit in Lansing with these same Senators and also Representative Law and Representative DeHart and other Senators and Representatives and numerous parents from Plymouth Canton and other communities in this state.

At the Summit in Lansing we asked the Senators and Representatives what they were going to do about the current State Law that orders that Plymouth-Canton students get only \$5,986.00 per pupil while other school districts get over \$10,000.00 per student. In fact Farmington gets \$9,029.00 per student, Ann Arbor - \$8,197.00, Romulus - \$7,611, Novi-\$7,543.00, Livonia - \$7,067, Northville - \$7,011.00 - Melvin dale - \$7,735.00 - Grosse Pointe - \$8,,855.00, River Rouge -\$7,577.17, Detroit - \$6,045 and Inkster - \$6,448.00.

Further Michigan law now orders that we as citizens and taxpayers of this community have no rights to change this inequity in school funding. Therefore we now have state ordered inequities in per pu-

pil spending.

The myth that was sold to us was that this gap was supposed to quickly decrease under the law. The reality is that in 100 years, our great grandchildren's children will still be receiving less in per pupil spending than the other aforementioned school districts.

Other than Representative Law, none of our other Representatives or Senators voiced any ideas on how to remedy this unfairness. In fairness to Representative Whyman, she couldn't give an opinion since she failed to show up, although she was invited by mail and fax. Senator Bennett's silence was deafening with regard to

our children's problem. However, in order to give the Senators and Representatives of this community and throughout the state a chance to come forward with a solution to this problem, there will be a Statewide Summit on Inequity in School Funding held right in the Plymouth-Canton Community in March of 1998. Since it is an election year in 1998, all of the Gubernatorial Candidates will also be invited to help formulate a solution to

our children's problem. This is also every homeowner and realtors problem in this community because as everyone knows perception of schools affects property values. I therefore am asking anyone who reads this letter to contact their State Representative and State Senator and Governor Engler to change these inequities in school funding. Further if you are interested in this problem or want more information on the Spring Summit or wish to help with the Summit, please feel free to contact me at work at (313) 421-5210 or at home at (313) 416-1970 or Judy Mardigian at (313) 451-2230.

Interestingly enough on the same page as Senator Geake and Bennett's letter was an editorial by the Observer editor entitled: "Children deserve our respect." Keeping with this same thought, I therefore ask that the Observer, Crier and Eagle do an investigation as to why Plymouth-Canton has been ordered by the State of Michigan to have such a low per pupil spending standard as compared to the other schools and what our politicians and citizens can and are doing to correct this problem.

Mark T. Slavens Livonia

Invention of necessity

To the editor:

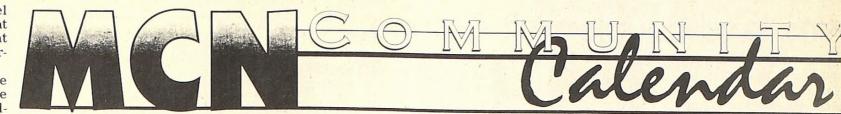
Invention is the mother of necessity! At least that's how some Internet companies seem to view their new "indus-

Amid the "army surplus" at the end of the Cold War, someone in the computer business noticed the "Internet," and decided that it might be a good way to "sell stuff" to people. At very least, with enough hype and hyperbole, it might make some people go out and buy a computer.

But, so far, the only people making any money on the Internet are the low-lifes who peddle pornography and financial advise

Walter Warren

Westland



SEND INFORMATION

Items for the Community Calendar should be submitted in writing at least one to two weeks in advance of publication to "Community Calendar, Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, MI., 48184. Each brief calendar event should be listed on a separate piece of paper. For more information call the newsroom at 729-4000 ext.

SCARY STORY TIME Noted story teller Linda Day will visit the Romulus Public Library for a scary story time at 7 p.m. Oct. 29. The free entertainment will include scary and humorous stories and others that teach youth a lesson. The program is sponsored by the Romulus Friends of the Library.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED The Hospice of Washtenaw needs volunteers, who can offer assistance with direct patient care, bereavement and office support. Training will begin Oct. 22 at the office 806 Airport Blvd., Ann Arbor. For further information call 313-327-3413.

Sweetest Day Dance The annual Sweetest Day Dance sponsored by the Baby Boomers Singles of Livonia will be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 18 at Burton Manor at I-96-Inkster road in Livonia. Dancers are urged not to wear jeans. The information by calling 313-842-0443.

JOB DRUG ABUSE A class that teaches persons to help identify behavior of drug and alcohol abusers is available from 8:30-11:30 a.m. on Oct. 28 at the Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center of Dearborn (18101 Oakwood blvd. in Dearborn). Cost is \$25 and preregistration is required. Further information call 1-800-262-5966.

SPORTS CARD SHOW A series of sports card shows are slated for 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 31, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Nov. 1 and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 2 at the Gibraltar Trade Center in Taylor. For further information call 313-287-2000.

WOMEN'S WEEKEND RE-TREAT The first annual christian woman's Advance retreat will be held from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at Detroit Metro Airport in Romulus. The "It's Harvest Time" session will continue from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 1. Cost is \$75 beafore Oct. 27 and \$85 on-site. For further information call 485-3549.

WINTER ART FAIR The 24th annual Ann Arbor Winter Art Fair will be held on Oct. 24 and 24th at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline road. Events begin at 10 a.m. the opening day and 11 a.m. the following. Cost cost is \$4 per person. Further | is \$5, children under 10 are

free. For further information call 1-800-888-9487

CERTIFIED SITTER CLASS Certified baby sitter classes for 11 to 15-year-olds will be held at Romulus High School on Wayne road (across from the McDonald's Restaurant) are slated for 5:30 to 9 p.m. Oct. 21 and 28. Cost is \$30 at preregistration. Instruction includes CPR, feeding, bathing activities and discipline. Class is sponsored by the Oakwood Healthcare System. For more information call 313-941-0610.

HEALTHY EATING ON THE RUN Class on healthy eating for those with busy schedules is slated for 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 28 at Romulus High School on Wayne road. Cost is \$12 at preregistration. For further information call 313-941-0610.

ADOPTION EXPLORATION A workshop to aid area residents seeking to adopt children in the future is slated for Oct. 20 from 6 until 10 p.m. in the Room 200 of the McDowell Center of Schoolcraft College. The cost is \$17 per person. More than 15 adoption agencies will be on hand to discuss options, resources and contacts. For further information call 313-462-4448.

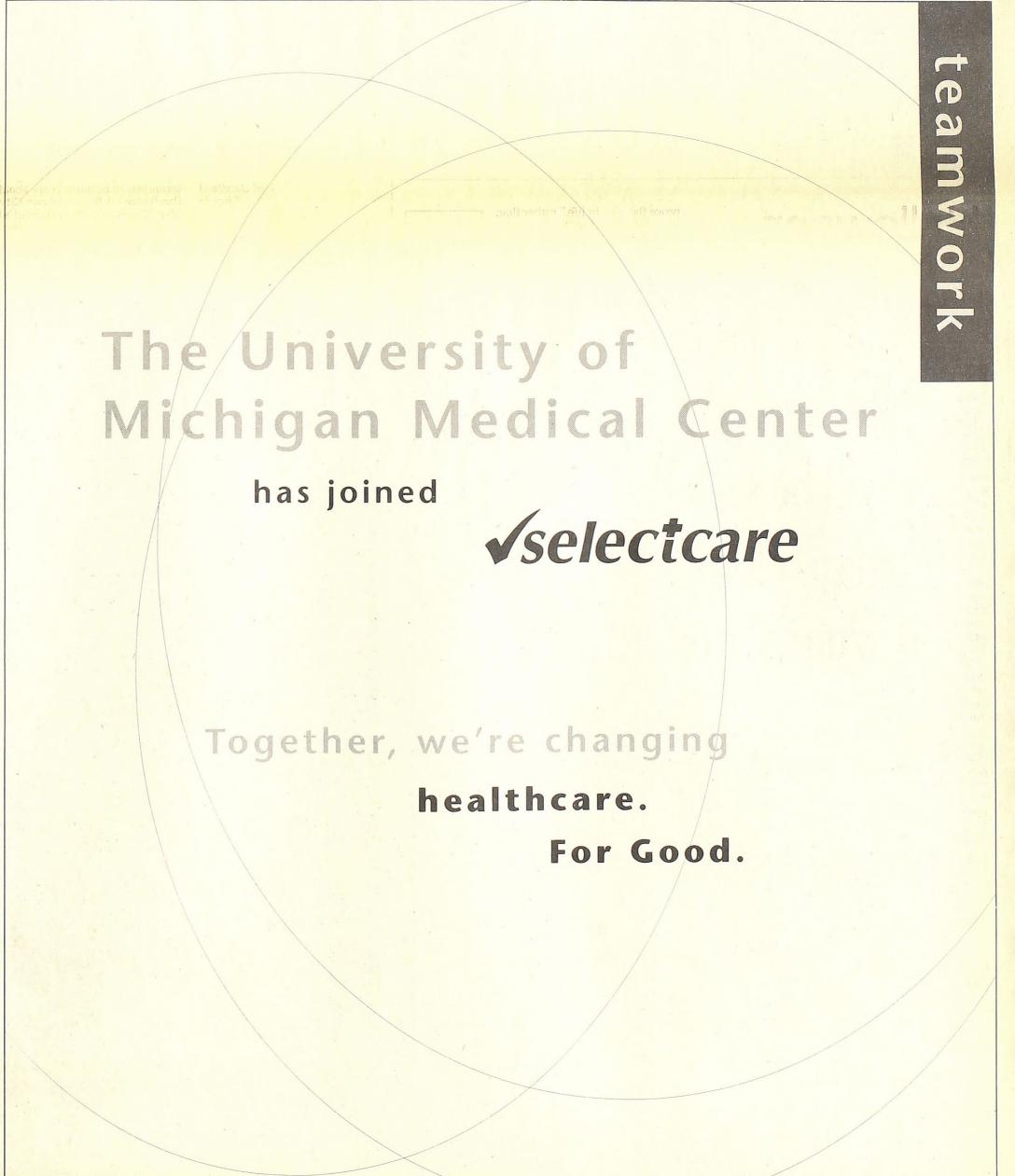
BLOOD PRESSURE SCREEN-INGS Weekly blood pressure screenings sponsored by St. Mary Hospital are slated for the following times and locations: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 20 at Target on Haggerty road in Livonia; and from noon to 2 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Northville Senior Center at 215 W. Cady Street in Northville. No registration is required and further information can be obtained by calling 1-800-494=1650.

SINGERS SOUGHT Talented singers and actors are now being sought for the spring production of "Godspell" Auditions will begin at 1 p.m. Oct. 19 and Oct. 25 at St. Mary Catholic Church at westbound Michigan Avenue and Third Street in Wayne. Lead roles as well as supporting cast members are being sought for the production that will be offered in June 1998. For more information call Dr. Richard Schneider at 729=2266.

RADIO MINISTRY Heaven Calls, a radio ministry, featuring inspirational and South Gospel Music, is being offered from 3 to 4 p.m. each Sunday at 990 AM (WCM). Featured are such noted groups as The Goodmans, the Speers, Gaithers, Red Foley, Statler Brothers and the Oak Ridge Boys. For further information call 248-649-7494.

Hunter Education Class Preregistration is required for classes sponsored by the Wayne County Sportsman's Club at 18102 S. Inkster Road in Romulus the weekend of

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In September, Pedro Ruiz and his wife, Rose, of Hubbard Street in Westland, toured five countries in Europe during the month of September.

'Our trip began in London, England, where we visited the Palace of Queen Elizabeth and toured the city sights," Ruiz said. "We then flew to Amsterdam. Holland, for a cruise through the canals. Later we visited a local diamond factory to watch diamonds being cut."

Ruiz said they then took a bus ride to Brussels, Belgium. 'Memories of my stay dur-

ing World War II appeared different than I recalled. So much more development has occurred and the country seemed more fruitful," he said. "We leave Brussels to go to Bastogne. General McCollum's statue stands in Bastogne as a reminder of his refusal to surrender during the Battle of the Bulge. His response upon a request to surrender to the Germans was 'nuts.' Six miles from



Pedro Ruiz during his recent trip to Europe. MCN Special Photo

Bastogne is where the Battle of the Bulge occurred.'

"I was at that battle in December 1944 to January 1945. The snowfall at the time was 8 inches deep and temperatures dropped below zero," said Ruiz. "The battle ended on Jan. 5, 1945. During this battle, the Americans lost 80,000 men and the Germans lost 100,000 men. This was one of the largest battles during World War II along with the Invasion of Normandy."

Ruiz continued, "We then traveled to Luxembourg and visited the cemetery where the Americans were buried along with General Patton.

We finished our trip in Paris, France, where we saw the tunnel where Princess Diana's life was lost. Other sights seen included the Arc de Triompe, Eiffel Tower, Place de Bastille and Vosges where King Louis XVI and Queen Antoinette resided. We also saw the sight where the people were beheaded after rebelling against King Louis XVI and Queen Antoinette. Our last stop was at Notre Dame Cathedral built in 1100.

He said the trip ended when, "We flew home from a wonderful excursion visiting sights of history.'



Women honored

The city of Wayne has declared Oct. 19-25 as National Business & Professional Women's Week. Members photographed include: Sheila Caincross, president; Bev Campbell, vice president; Mary Ann Ellis, recording secretary; Marie Pleuss, corresponding secretary; Helen Tomlin, treasurer; Amy Allen, Beverly Blankertz, Betty Hoeffel, Donna McEachern, Pat Nielsen and Sharon Popek.MCN photo by Jenny Johnson

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Marine Pfc. Nathan M. Branim, son of Debra J. Lehner of Royal Pointe, Canton, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. as an honor graduate and high Branim joins 41,000 men

and women who will enter the Marine Corps this year from all over the country.

He is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

Army Pvt. Vanessa M. Gilpin has graduated from the lightwheeled vehicle mechanic course at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

Gilpin is the niece of Patricia L. Gregory A. Jamison of

She is a 1996 graduate of Belleville High School.

Army Sgt. Noelle E. Corley

has deployed on a temporary duty assignment as part of Joint Task Force Southwest Asia headquartered in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Corley is the daughter of Edwin R. and Katherine J. Ortiz of Edmunton, Canton.

Navy Seaman Recruit Jason N. Hendrickson, 1995 graduate of Belleville High School of Belleville, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Army 1st Lt. Patrick S. Neiswinter has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal.

The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in ties on behalf of the Army.

He is the son of Grant S. and Karen J. Neiswinter of Lancaster Court, Canton.

The lieutenant is a 1988 graduate of Hartland High School.

Army Pvt. Paul A. Bersok Jr. has entered basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the training, he will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies, and experience using various weapons available to the infantry soldier.

Bersok is the son of Paul A. Bersok Sr. of Harvard, Canton, and Cynthia A. Bersok of McKinney, Westland.

The private is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High the performance of their du-

Casino Windsor™ and Northern Belle Casino™ will be CLOSED on Friday, October 17, 1997 from 8 am to 8 pm.

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Help is near Parent's Day offers aid

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

"We Are Family" is the theme of the fourth annual Parents' Day. It will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 25 at Franklin Middle School, 33555 Annapolis,

The goal of the Parents' Day is to have schools, home and community working together for the good of kids. Sessions are led by teachers, and local community members. They give parents ideas and solutions for concerns they may have with their children.

This event is sponsored by Wayne-Westland Community Schools Family Resource Center, Safe and Drug Free Schools, the Skillman Foundation, and Wayne County R.E.S.A.

The schedule of events includes keynote speaker O.J

Anderson. He is a comedian who for the past eight years has traveled around the country promoting laughter as a learning tool for families. He will focus on self awareness, commitment to education, conflict resolution and alcohol and substance awareness.

Mistress of Ceremonies will be Linda Lee from Young Country radio, 99.5.

Parents will choose two different sessions to attend.

Topics include: Finding quality day care; Is you teen driving you up the wall; 101 inexpensive ways families can have fun on a limited budget; How to talk so kids will listen; The fatherhood factor; How to have a good parent teacher conference; All kids are smartin different ways and others.

Child care will be provided for the first 100 children aged 4-10 registered.

Ed Phillips bids farewell

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

It's hard to say good bye. For the past six years, Mayor Pro Tem Edward Phillips has served on Wayne's city council. Last Tuesday he served at his last meeting.

Before the council meeting got underway, Westland city councilman Richard LeBlanc, State Representative Tom Kelly and Richard Fernandez presented Phillips with a plaque for his service to the Nankin Transit Commission.

Nankin Transit provides transportation to the elderly and the handicapped in Wayne, Westland, Garden City and Inkster.

Phillips served as commissioner of Nankin Transit from 1991 to 1995 and chairman from 1995 to 1997.

He said, "Nankin Transit is an absolute necessity. Imagine yourself as elderly or handicapped and not able to get out and drive and get to where you need to go.'

"I am very proud to be able to take a segment of our community and provide a service really needed," he said.

Kelly said, "It is a particular personal pleasure and honor to present Mr. Phillips with this honor from Lansing. It was my fault he got involved in government. I am extremely proud of the way he conducted himself on the council."

At the end of the evening Mayor Kenneth Warfield said to Phillips, "It has been fantastic serving on the council with you."

He presented Phillips with a plaque from the council and the community.

Phillips said his proudest moment on the council was when they hired City Manager John Zech.

"This city is very well served with an outstanding group of public servants. The city of Wayne is a laboratory of



Mayor ProTem Edward Phillips

This council has done a good job and awful good things for this town when we've worked as a team.

- Edward Phillips

how good politics are done. The number one priority is to make Wayne a better place to

"Most important is to thank the people of Wayne for giving us six years. A good six years,' he said.

He said teamwork is the key to success.

"This council has done a good job and awful good things for this town when we've worked as a team."

He included the spouses of the council members as teammates.

"With the hundreds of meetings we've attended and dinners we've missed our spouses have never gotten the recognition deserved."

He and his wife Barbara plan to retire to North Caro-

Mayor Warfield and members of the council led a standing ovation in honor of

Nursing home hosts trick or treaters

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

Wayne Total Living Center, 4425 Venoy Rd, Wayne, will have their first annual Wayne Campus Holiday Display from Oct. 14-31.

The campus is a 24-hour nursing home. The best hours to view the decorations are from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. said Leo Hansen, Wayne Total Living

"We want to promote the campus and encourage people to come and visit," he said.

The grounds and different buildings will be decorated in the Halloween theme. On Oct. 31 employees will pass out

candy to trick or treaters from 6-7:30 p.m. All children are in-

He said this is something fun for the employees and the residents to participate in.

"We hope this encourages the morale of employees and in turn makes the residents happy," he said.

"It's going to be quite the display. I'm really looking forward to it," he said.

They hope to make this an annual event and eventually have displays for all of the hol-

Wayne Total Living Center is on Venoy between Michigan Avenue and Van Born across the street from Annapolis Hos-

Antiques appraised

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

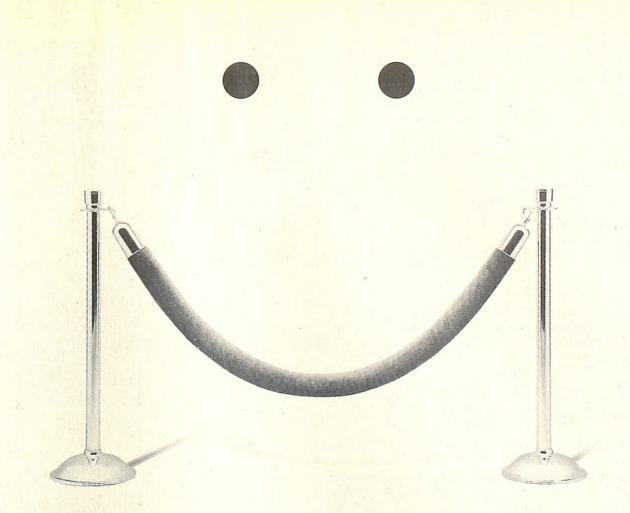
Is your basement or garage filled with precious mementos? Some of them may be more valuable than you think. You can find out at the Anitque Appraisal Clinic, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 25 at Sanders Gallery, 35118 W. Michigan Ave., Wayne.

This event is co-sponsored by the Wayne Chamber of Com-

merce and Sanders Antiques. The cost is \$3 for one item and \$5 for two items to be ap-

praised. For additional information, contact Donna McEachern of the Wayne Chamber of Commerce, 721-0100.





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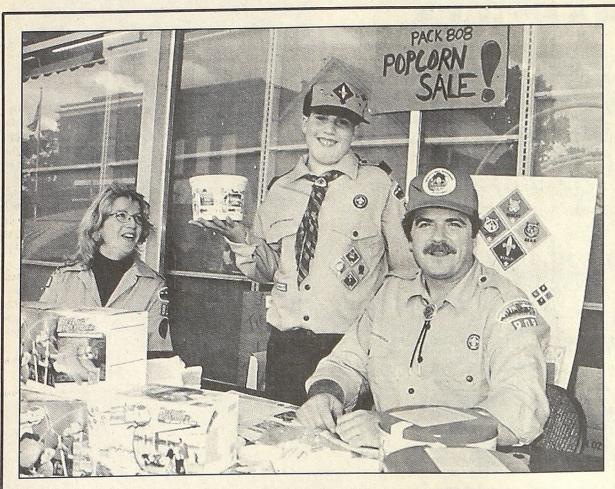
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Popcorn sale

Kathy Capelli (left) and Tom Witherow (right) staff the Pack 808 popcorn booth in downtown Romulus as Michael Capelli (center) offers a box for sale. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

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Nov. 1 and 2.

The class includes 12 hours of instruction over two days, beginning 8 a.m. on Saturdays and 9 a.m. on Sundays. Cost of the course is \$8.50 for the course and \$2.75 each day for lunch. Brown bagging lunch is an option.

To pre-register call Wayne County Hunter Education Instructor Coordinator Bill Miller at 313-532-0285.

CRAFT SHOW, LUNCHEON The first annual Craft Show and Luncheon sponsored by the Haggerty Elementary School Parent Teachers Organization will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school building at 13770 Haggerty road in Belleville. Spaces are available for \$10 each or a table and space for \$15. For more information call 697-2538 or 941-2189 or 697-2528.

CELIAC SPRUE SUPPORT GROUP meets monthly at the Southfield Presbyterian Church, 21575 W. 10 Mile, Southfield. Persons with Celiac Disease must follow a diet that his free of all gluten products (wheat, rice, oats, barley and many food additives.) This group is the only Celiac Support Group in the tri-county area. For further information call Sue Gentilia at 248-926-1228 or Marcia Campbell at 248-477-5953.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 865
Young area residents (ages 11
to 18) are being sought for
membership in Boy Scout
Troop 865 of Westland. Meetings are conducted from 7:30 to
9 p.m. each Tuesday at Hamilton Elementary School, corner of Avondale and Schuman
in Westland. Monthly campouts also are slated. For more
information call Vickie Lewis
at 729-1283.

GANZA Dearborn High School's Band Aid Booster Club will conduct its fall arts and crafts extravaganza from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 15 at the high school at 19501 Outer Drive in Dearborn. Admission is \$1 and there is free parking. Deadline for artists and crafters is Nov. 1. Call 336-7047 for details

FASHION SHOW Fashions by

Firm withdraws request for special land use

On Oct. 7, the project sponsor for Marathon/Tech Express withdrew the existing application for special land use after Canton Township's Planning Commission recommended denial of the request.

The request involved 4.2 acres located on the southwest corner of Michigan Avenue and Beck Road. The proposed facility included a convenience store, a Taco Bell Express, a car wash and a gas station for cars, as well as a separated diesel fueling station for trucks.

Many residents attended the public hearing to express their concerns over the increase in traffic, truck fumes and deterioration of property value would bring. Planning Commissioners agreed that this sort of development is currently incompatible with the residential area.

According to Jeff Goulet, community planner, the project sponsor will reapply for special land use with a revised plan featuring only the convenience store and gas station.

"Some point in time when make-up of area changes, they may come back for reconsideration of the diesel fueling operation," said Goulet.

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College targets students for enrollment

Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD) officials are making history by taking the lead in making sure that all students have an opportunity to succeed when they leave high school.

The College is piloting a program at its Western Campus in Belleville which will begin targeting the more than 50 percent of students who don't continue their learning once they have graduated from the 12th grade.

"Continued learning past high school will have to become as important in the years to come as having a high We have a responsibility to society to make sure that everyone has a chance to succeed.

- Dr. Curtis Ivery

school, diploma has been in the past," said Chairman of the Board of Trustees Ted Scott. "If we can provide programs that will make these students employable in the 21st century, then can reduce the number of individuals who will need welfare in the future.

Western Wayne county educators are calling the plan "a

unique approach' to a group of individuals that are not normally targeted by other higher education institutions.

"We have a responsibility to society to make sure that everyone has a chance to succeed," said Dr. Curtis Ivery, President of WCCCD. "We take that responsibility seriously.

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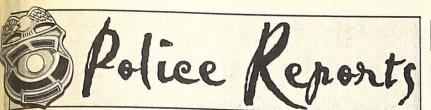
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Van Buren's Public Safety Department reported these incidents for the week of Oct. 6 through 12:

A felonious assault was reported at 1:56 a.m. Oct. 6 in the Bellewoods complex. At 7:10 a.m., a fight at Girlstown resulted in a felonious assault

A breaking and entering was reported at 7:09 p.m. in the 6100 block of Truman.

An assault and battery was reported at 9:48 a.m. Oct. 7 in the vicinity of Belleville Road and Westlake.

A hit and run accident was reported at 8:30 p.m. at Atchinson Ford on Belleville Road.

A vehicle was reported stolen on Oak Boulevard at 6:57 a.m. Oct. 8.

Police and fire responded to a motor vehicle crash which resulted in injuries at 2:42 p.m. on Belleville Road, north of Tyler Road.

A domestic dispute between a mother and a son at 6:54 a.m. Oct. 9 on Capitol Hills, resulted in the boy being arrested and taken to a group

Larceny from a motor vehicle was reported at 6:51 a.m. Oct. 10 in the 47000 block of Water's Edge.

At 7:34 p.m., officers responded to a large fight in the Victoria Commons subdivi-

A drive-by shooting was reported at 6:36 a.m. Oct. 11 in the 7800 block of Kirkridge. The suspect was arrested at 10:22 a.m. in the City of West-

An officer acted as mediator after a domestic dispute was reported at 11:17 a.m. Oct. 12 in the 10000 block of Quirk.

Animal cruelty was reported at 4:24 p.m. at Meijer.

Landmark achieved Police Reports Landmark achieved Rotary celebrates 75th anniversary

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

From the beginning it has been distinctive. The Wayne Rotary Club celebrated their 75th anniversary on Oct. 11 at the Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti. Guests enjoyed a short program, dinner and dancing.

The club started on Jan 1, 1922 and was sponsored by the

Ypsilanti Rotary Club. "It originally began as a gathering of Wayne businessmen," said Donna McEachern, co-chair of the Rotary banquet. She noted that it was first called the Wayne Noon Lunch It originally began as

a gathering of Wayne businessmen.

- Donna McEachern

Since the town had less than 5,000 residents it was not eligible to be a Rotary Club. Changes had to be made in Rotary International bylaws to allow Wayne to be the first Rotary club in a town with a population of less than 5,000.

Wayne has sponsored five other clubs: Dearborn, 1922;

Plymouth, 1924; Birmingham, 1924; Garden City, 1940, and Westland 1966.

Today there are about 35 Rotary members in Wayne.

Rotary officers are: Kathy Sanders, president; Bob Mc-Clellan, president-elect; Cal Kempainen, treasurer; and Darlene McKee, secretary.

The Wayne Rotary Club is a chartered service club that helps the community. They have adopted two parks in Wayne and a section of Wayne Road. They also ring bells for the Salvation Army at Christmas and sponsor the Wayne Christmas Parade.

In recognition of their 75th

anniversary, the Rotary will contribute over \$75,000 to scholarship funds for Wayne Memorial and John Glenn High Schools and contribute to the Senior Alliance, Wayne-Westland YMCA, Wayne Goodfellows, City of Wayne Public Library, Oakwood- Annapolis Hospital Foundation, the Salvation Army and Rotary International.

McEachern said they also give considerable amounts of money to Bids for Kids. They are donating \$15,000 to the senior center toward the purchase of a new van.

"We really give across the board," she said.



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RV center offers fun for all

Walt Michal's RV Center has offered up several reasons why no one should miss the family fun for all planned for Oct. 17 and 18 during the Ultimate Fall Blow-Out Open

On Oct. 17, WYCD Young Country with Joe Wade will be broadcasting live from the I-94 North Service Drive location. Wade will be there with the Young Country stock car between 4 and 6 p.m. on Friday.

Past and present sports stars from the Detroit Lions and Tigers will be on hand to sign autographs Oct. 17. A drawing will be held for tickets to an upcoming Lions game between 4 and 6 p.m. on this day as well.

You will also have the chance to win a field of dreams getaway (weekend road series), which includes a motor home and tickets to a Tiger game.

Racing fans may enjoy taking a close look at the Rusty Wallace stock car between 12

and 8 p.m. Friday. Butterfly the Clown will be on hand to entertain the kids between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Oct. and pony rides from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday.

On Both days, manufacturers representatives will be on hand from Fleetwood. Lance, Damon, Thor, Shadow Cruiser, and Alpenlite to answer the most technical RV

Of course, there's also a huge sale going on over these two days, as Walt Michal's prepares to introduce the 1998 line of RVs. There are over 50 units, produced in 1997, which must be moved out to make room for the 1998s.

The parts department will also be having their annual garage sale Oct. 17 and 18. Parts and accessories will be sold for as little as 10 cents on the dollar on some items.

Food and refreshments will be available, and demo rides will be offered in some of the newest RVs on the market. Everyone is invited to enter to win one of two 25 inch color TVs or a one week free rental of a motor home.

Walt Michal's RV Center is located at 44700 I-94 Service Drive in Belleville. For more 18. There will also be a moon information, call walk open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 1-800-697-2500.

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40,000 Michigan men join million in Washington Mall

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Forego the "Lone Ranger" role in religion and bring at least two or three of your lukewarm Christian friends to next year's Promise Keepers Conferences, founder Bill Mc-Cartney urged more than 40,000 Michigan residents earlier this month.

The Michigan groupings, many from the metro area, were among the nearly one million men, who gathered at the National Mall in Washington D.C. for a solemn six hour meeting on Oct. 4.

In recent years Michigan Promise Keepers Conferences have been conducted at the Silverdome in Pontiac at a ticket cost of more than \$60 per person for the two day events. They have attracted 45,000 to 60,000 men each year.

McCartney revealed at the sacred assembly that Promise Keepers have "shifted stategies and now plan to open the doors free to upcoming conferences." He listed up to 18 stadium events and 19 arena events nationally for 1998.

Next year's outings across the U.S. already are being called "Open the Gates in 98."

These latest annual conferences. McCartney said, will lead up to a series of 50 noontime Jan. 1 sessions in the year 2000 on the stairways outside various state houses.

McCartney, former football coach and founder of the Christian men's group, traces his family history back to Michigan, having been raised in nearby Riverview.

McCartney told the men "we cannot sit on our spiritual gifts. Our pastors have been working in recent decades with half our families, the wo- ving extremely bothersome to men. But men now are coming to give everything back."

Another speaker, Ronnie Floyd, executive committee chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention, added "the Number One problem in society today is the condition of our churches and more specifically the men in those churches."

Because of the massive breakdown in families and other social downfalls in recent decades, Promise Keepers have been working for the past several years to reinstate men as leaders in their families, churches and communities.

More than two million men have attended those sessions, prior to the Oct. 4th national outing.

The stress on having men re-insert themselves as better husbands, fathers and brothers is exciting many women across the U.S., but is proPromises of a Promise Keeper

Honor Jesus Christ through prayer, worship, and obedience to His Word in the power of the Holy Spirit;

2.

Pursue vital relationships with a few other men, understanding that I need brothers to help me keep my promises;

Practice spiritual, moral, ethical and sexual purity;

Build strong marriages and families through love, protection, and biblical values;

5.

Support the mission of my church, by honoring and praying for my pastor and actively giving of my time and resources

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Reach beyond racial barriers to demonstrate the power of biblical unity;

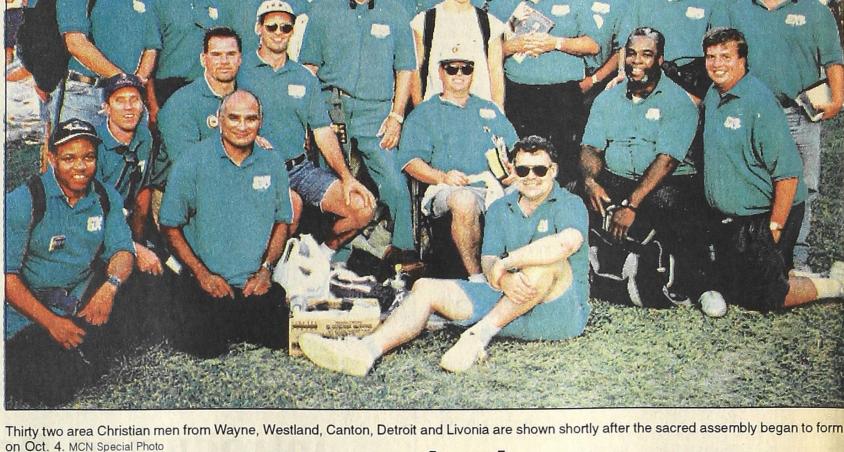
Influence my world, being obedient to the Great Commandment (Mark 12:30-31) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:1920)

some leaders of various women's groups.

The women's rights executives are pointing negatively to Promise Keepers as a group of extremists, who want to place women in a role of submitting to their husbands.

While the national coverage of the Promise Keepers on C-Span has trimmed much of the "men only" rebuke the group has faced in recent years, it has caused women's rights leaders to take sharper aim at McCartney directly rather than the thousands of men shown singing, praying, confessing, hugging and crying at the sacred outing.

Groupings of many races, including Native Americans, Hispanics and African Americans, took major parts in the six-hour prayer and singing sessions at the National Mall urging apologies and forgiveness for each others' transgressions in recent centuries.



Men carry message back to communities

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Thousands of Michigan Christian men, who invaded the land of the classic promise breakers (Washington, D.C.) on Oct. 4, returned home expressing great excitement over their future roles as husbands, fathers and church leaders.

The throngs of Michigan Promise Keepers, who joined nearly a million other men from across the U.S., reported "the spirit of the Stand in the Gap sacred assembly did not end in Washington."

Ed McMurray, a retired Ford Motor Co. employee, revealed he met men from Arizona, Texas, California and Hawaii at the gathering. "The spirit later certainly extended to a number of service stations and fast food locations along the way home," McMurray said, "as men grouped together at numerous stops to express love and friendship again."

McMurray, a Christian layman, said he was glad to hear PK founder Bill McCartney state that the era of the religious Lone Rangers is over and that Christian men need to work together again.

"I've noticed in recent years many of the former interactions between Christians began to dwindle...so I'm excited they will begin in earnest again," he said.

McMurray also was electrified to hear McCartney announce a three year plan for Promise Keepers that will be climaxed on Jan. 1 in the year 2000, when Christian men will gather outside state houses across the U.S. to pray for vision and leadership for their state leaders.

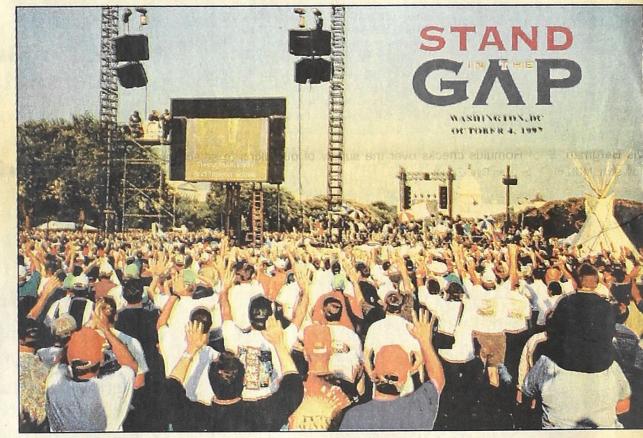
McMurray joined with his three pastors from the Westland Free Methodist Church and 30 other men and teens in the round trip to Washington.

One of the pastors, Pastor Carl Morton, also was excited with the "great encouragement" he found men passing on to each other as they stopped and embraced each other along the rest stops back to Michigan.

Youth Pastor Ron Balzer said attending the sacred throng left him with an "overwhelming feeling" that he had stood witness to the world that "God is real."

Balzer also stated he feels that McCartney was "incredibly visionary" with his PK plans for coming years, particularly the statehouse steps event in the year 2000.

The third Westland Free Methodist Pastor Mark Cryderman said he was pleased to let people know that he "loved America and yet was still concerned since it was not per-



An overall photo of the massive gathering of men with a large prayer teepee and the U.S. Capitol in the background. MCN Special Photo

fect."

Cryderman said he was 'perplexed with the opposition from some women's groups," but felt the only main losers from Promise Keeper actions will be topless bars, taverns and similar lifestyle institutions.

Wives of two of the pastors went to Washington with the group and were deeply impressed with what changes they discovered in the men following the PK gathering.

At least 17 men from St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton attended the event, including two of its pastors.

Joe Bonno noted that the participants took many paths to arrive at the same place some by bus and some car pooling. With so many men in attendance, the various groups from the church did not see each other event thought they were all in close proximity to the Washington Monument.

"It was what I had anticipated, although one can hardly anticipate how it feels to be part of such a huge crowd shoulder to shoulder," Bonno said.

"The Lord is calling people definitely men, but not only men - to break down barriers that have separated us from God's word," Bonno said. "God hears one person's prayer, and he must have turned his ear to the prayers of so many."

Bonno said be believes the Promise Keepers movement is helping to break down the barriers of denominational differences and to heal past racial inequities.

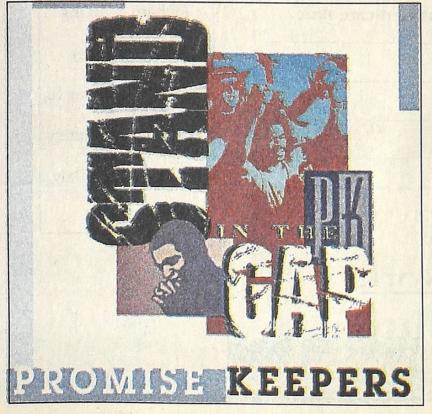
"Pastor Drex (Morton) told us he felt especially blessed being there with his two sons," said Bonno.

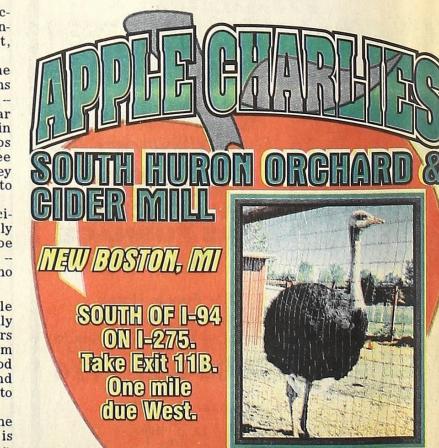
Local Christian music specialist John Rhaesa of Westland, who also attended the sacred assembly, said "this was more than just an event. We are waiting to see the lasting power of this gathering.

"What was said was really nothing new. It all came from the Bible. Some of the top passages came from James 1:15 19-27. Namely such verses thatstress key Promise Keepers crusades to "get rid of all moral filth...be slow to anger, etc," Rhaesa added.

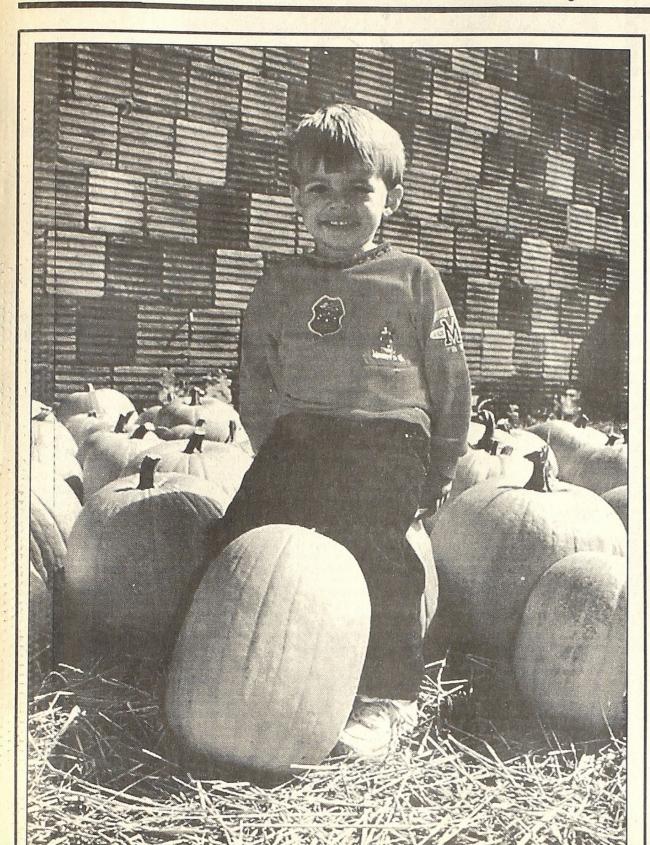
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Promise Keeper participants were impressed that not only were men of all nationalities and races at the sacred gathering, there also were men of all Christian denominations and almost all 50 states.





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Travis Bergman, 3, of Romulus checks over the supply of pumpkins to select the right one for Halloween. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

Plymouth-Canton schools open 3 student credit union branches

With business partnership agreements between Allen, Smith and Hoben Elementary Schools and Community Federal Credit Union, three new student-operated credit union branches will be opening in October.

Arrangements are being made for the Grand Openings coordinated through Debbie Phillips and Barbara Hanka of Community Federal, Plymouth- Canton's Business-Education Partnership Coordinator Betty Bloch and principals Jim Burt at Allen, Joyce Deren at Hoben, and Cheryl Clason at Smith Elementary.

During the past few weeks, students have applied for jobs, were interviewed and trained by Community Federal employees.

The objectives for the partnership are; to increase students' knowledge of financial transactions and the uses of technology within the financial services industry; to increase student/staff interaction with Community Federal credit Union members and employees and to enhance recognition of student excellence within the Plymouth-Canton Community; to encourage practical uses of math skills, emphasizing monetary applications and to develop career awareness and employability skills.

For more information regarding these activities please contact Betty Bloch at 416-4903 or Debbie Phillips at 453-1200.

bserve 'Week Without Violence'

The YWCA of Western Wayne County is asking area individuals, government agencies, schools, businesses and community groups to join with them in a nationwide campaign for a "Week Without Violence.'

The YWCA Week Without Violence will be held throughout the country Oct. 19 to 25 and will focus attention on practical and sustainable al- Against Men

ternatives to violence.

A focus on different issues will be made each day:

Sunday, A Day to Remem-

• Monday, Protecting Our Children

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 Wednesday, Confronting Violence Against Women

Thursday, Facing Violence

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YWCAs nationwide have a long history of empowering women and families, fostering racial justice and preventing violence. Through 374 local member associations in all 50 states, the YWCA represents more than one million women, girls and their families.

Buried Treasures at YWCA

There's "buried treasures" at the YWCA of Western Wayne County and the public is invited to hunt for bargains from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Oct. 25.

There will be bargains galore amid the buried treasure

at the YWCA's Rummage Sale, according to a sale spokesper-

The sale will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 25 at the YWCA, 26279 Michigan Ave., between Beech Daly and

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TO: Ralph Labadie, Spouse of Ralph Labadie, Donald R. Labadie, Kathleen Labadie, Mary Ellen Nicolini, Donna Jean Taylor, John Doe, aka Occupant, Jane Doe, aka Occupant, unknown, unascertained undetermined, unborn heirs, devises, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act on their own behalf, said individuals being persons indicated to have some interest in the land above described according to Wayne County records.

This is an improved residential parcel.

> Publish: Sept. 25, 1997 Oct. 2, 1997 Oct. 9, 1997

Oct. 16, 1997 NOTICE OF

PUBLIC SALE Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that on Friday, October 24, 1997 at 10:00 am at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather, Plymouth, Michigan, County of Wayne, a public auction of the following vehicles will

1986 Ford Explorer 2 dr. 1FABP01J7GW350041 1978 Honda 550 M/C CB550K2101134 1988 Chevrolet Caprice 4

1G1BU51H0JA172726

1983 Ford Econoline Van 1FMDE15Y1DHA33020 1987 Chrysler LeBaron 4

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1C3BC56D8HF287303 1990 Ford Taurus 4 dr. 1FACP52U8LG183302 1988 Mercury Cougar 2 dr. 1MEBM604XJH668909 1986 Honda Civic 2 dr.

JHMAG431GGS009672 1984 Cadillac DeVille 4 dr 1G6AM6983E9076807 Publish: October 16, 1997

NOTICE OF **PUBLIC SALE** Notice is hereby given by the undersigned that on Wednesday, October 22, 1997 at 8:00 AM at Canton Police Impound Yard, 37501 Cherry Hill, Canton, County of Wayne, Michigan, a public auction for the following vehicles will be held:

1984 Chevette 2 dr. 1G1AJ08C6EA153055 1986 Plymouth Horizon 4

1P3BM18C9GD128385 1986 Ford Tempo 4 dr. 2FABP23X7GB208013 1981 Toyota Corolla 2 dr. JT2TE75CXB0594294 1988 Pontiac Grand Am 4

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PUBLIC AUCTION Repos, company cars municipal vehicles, featuring: NBD Bank, Old Kent Bank, City of Taylor, City of Wayne and many more. Oct. 16, 1997, 4pm Detroit Auto Auction 20911 Gladwin, Taylor, 313-285-7300.

PUBLIC NOTICE Do to change in Managers. The Auction scheduled for Oct. 18 at 10:30am at The Storroom, 40600 Michigan Ave., Canton, Michigan has

25 at 10:30am. UNIT: #639 NAME: Gerald MacDonald UNIT: #828 UNIT: #1408

NAME: Julieanne M. Muir

Publish: Oct. 9, 1997 THE STORROOM located at 40600 Michigan Ave. at I-275, Canton, Michigan 48188 will hold a sale on

November 15, 1997 at 10:30 a.m. to satisfy the lien against the following tenants unless the liens are satisfied before the sale date: Name: Sheila Florence

Carson Unit: 736 - Size: 10 X 10 Items: Old dresser,

microwave, mattress and box springs, stereo, toys, stuffed animals, bags of personal belongings

The contents of these units will be available for inspection between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on the day before the sale of the goods stored. On the date and hour of the stated sale date the goods will be sold to person/firm which has offered the most money for the items stored in the unit. SOLD ONLY BY THE UNIT NOT BY THE PIECE. The sale will be held at The StorRoom Self-Storage Center.

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8. Entertainment

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32. Help Wanted

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The Advance Nursing Center is taking applications for Nurse Aides, all shifts, full time positions. Call for an appointment. 313-278-7272.

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Position available in Plymouth area. Must have valid drivers license. Prefer one year group home training, Competitive wage and full benefits. Call 313-581-3019.

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60. Misc. Sales

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ABRAMS, EDWARD **BROOKS, MARY** CHATHAM, MARGARET DEMBROSKY, CLARA DEWULF, RAYMOND DOCKETTE, LEO, JR. FERGUSON, HELEN HEIKES, WILLIAMS, JR. KING, PAULINE KUSIBAB, JOSEPH "MCGILLIS" MACOIROWSKI, ADELE MALONE, RICHARD J. MCNABB, ZAVIER RION PAYNE, LOUISE RICH SHIVERS, ANNA MAE SIMMONS, JOHNETTA SIWULA, BRUCE SUMNER, EARL M. THIEL, GORDON TROMBLEY, BERNICE TURNER, JÚANITA WALWORTH, FLORENCE

ABRAMS, EDWARD

WIMBERLY, JERRY

YOUNG, MARTHA

FRANCIS

WOLLSCHLAGER

Age 70, passed away September 4, 1997. Beloved father of Menya Cole and Edward. Also survived by 2 sisters and 4 grandchildren. Services were held at Tate Funeral Home, Toledo, OH. Arrangements by Penn Funeral Home.

BROOKS, MARY

Age 85, of Clinton, MI (formerly of Belleville), passed away October 7 1997. Dear mother of William (Dorothy). Also survived by 3 sisters and 6 grandchildren. Memorial services were held October 11 at Stoney Creek United Methodist Church with cremation rites ac-CHATHAM, MARGARET

Age 79, of Westland, of October 13, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Richard. Dear mother of R. Casey, James (Ellen) and Margaret (Bill) Samland. Also survived by 8 grandchildren and 2 great grand children. Services were held October 15 at Uht Funeral Home with interment at Parkview Cemetery Family suggests memorials to Community Hospice.

DEMBROSKY, CLARA Age 85, of Westland, passed away October 5, 1997. Beloved mother of Jerome (Dolores) Kapala. Dear step-mother of Joan (Christopher) Looney and Charles Dembrosky. Also survived survived by 12 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Services were held October 8 at St. Mary Catholic Church with interment at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Arrangements by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Memorial contributions in form of mass offerings to St. Mary's would be appreciated.

DEWULF, RAYMOND Age 61, of Brooklyn, MI, passed away October 10, 1997. Beloved husband of Joyce. Dear mother of Darlene (Ken) Reinke, Diane (Derek) Briley. Loving son of Venus Savitskie. Also survived by 4 brothers, 5 sisters and4 grandchildren. Services were held October 14 at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church with interment at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

DOCKETTE, LEO, JR. Age 56, of Wayne, passed away October 6, 1997. Beloved father of Edith Louise. Dear father of Kimberly Trent, Leo, III, Joel Michel and Sean Padraic. Loving son of Leo and the late Mildred. Also survived by 2 sisters, 3 brothers and 6 grandchildren. Services were held October 11 at Uht Funeral Home with cremation rites ac-

FERGUSON, HELEN Age 76, of Ypsilanti, passed away October 7, 1997. Dear friend of Ronald and Sharon Youngblood. Cremation rites were accorded. Arrange-ments by Uht Funeral

HEIKES, WILLIAM, JR. Age 72, of Belleville passed away October 7, 1997. Beloved husband of Cecelia whom he married on March 1, 1947. Dear fa-ther of John (Nancy), Judith (James) Rattray and James (Sheri). Also survived by 1 sister, 10 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, 3 step grandchildren and 3 step great grandchildren. Services were held October 10 at David C. Brown Funeral Home with cremation rites accorded.

KING, PAULINE

Age 81, of Taylor, passed away October 8, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Luther. Dear mother of Robert (Elaine) Denton, Joyce Denton, Judy Denton and the late Dale and William Denton. Dear 'friend of Jean Kemp. Also survived by 13 grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Services were held October 11 at Uht Funeral Home with interment at Romulus Cemetery.

KUSIBAB, JOSEPH "MCGILLIS"

Age 51, of Romulus, passed away October 7, 1997. Beloved husband of Karen. Dear father of James (Jamie) Kusibab, Joseph Kusibab and Jennifer Kusibab. Loving son of Joseph II and Barbara Kusibab. Also survived by 2 sisters. Services were held October 10 at Crane Funeral Home with interment at Michigan Memorial Park. He was a member of VFW Romulus, Umpire in Romulus, Romulus Bowling League and a Little League Baseball Coach.

MACOIROWSKI, ADELE Age 82, of Plymouth passed away October 6, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Walter. Beloved mother of Kathie (John) Bacyinski and Donald (Mary Elaine) Maciorowski. Also survived by 1 brother and 5 grandchildren. Services were held October 9 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with interment at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Arrangements by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Memorial contributions to Angela Hospice, Livonia, would be appreciated.

MALONE, RICHARD J. Age 64, of Livonia, passed away October 4, 1997 Dear father of Celeste Verbos, Dorene (Joe) Sheridan, Caroline (Dennis) Jackson, Michael Malone and John (Catherine) Malone. Also survived by 1 brother and 6 grandchildren. Services were held October 8 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with interment at Parkview Memorial Cemetery. Memorial contributions in the form of mass offerings would be appreciated.

MCNABB, ZAVIER RION infant, of Livonia, passed away October 4, 1997. Beloved son of Nicole Bolton and Glen McNabb. Loving grandson of Richard and Katherine Bolton and Glen and Nancy McNabb. Services were held October 8 of the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West. Memorial contributions to the family fund would be appreciate

PAYNE, LOUISE RICH Age 76, of Romulus, passed away October 8, 1997. Beloved wife of David. Dear mother of Andrea (Gregory) Moser, Pamela (Perry) Beck and David (Lisa) Payne. Loving grandmother of Allison, Alexander, Andrew, Louisa and Lauren. Services were held at Faulmann & Walsh Golden Rule Funeral Home, Fraser, MI with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, East. Memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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SIMMONS, JOHNETTA Age 64, passed away August 25, 1997. Beloved sister of Vienna McClay Nettie Profit and Freddie Bishop, Sr. Services were held at Romulus Community Baptist Church. Arrangements by Penn Fu-neral Home.

SIWULA, BRUCE

Age 43, of Westland, passed away October 7 1997. Beloved son of Theresa and the late Franklin. Dear brother of Blase and James, Services were held October 12 at Uht Funeral Home, Cremation rites were accorded.

SUMNER, EARL M. Age 73, of Canton, passed away October 3, 1997. Beloved husband of Lorene

Sumner. Dear father of Donna (Dan) Meyka. Also survived by 2 sisters, 3 brothers and 2 granddaughters. Services were held October 6 at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home with cremation rites accorded. Memorial contributions to Angela Hospice, Livonia, would be appreciated.

THIEL, GORDON

Age 80, of Canton, passed away October 9, 1997. Beloved husband of the late Elizabeth. Dear father of Alice Cordara, Andrea (Stan) Darden and Thomas (Cheryl) Thiel. Also survived by 7 grandchildren. Services were held October 15 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with interment at Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, MI.

TROMBLEY, BERNICE Age 87, of Westland, passed away October 10, 1997. Beloved sister of Harold and Ruth and the late Helen, Gertrude, Elmer, George and Earl. Services were held October 13 at St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church with inter-ment at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home. Family suggests memorials to St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church.

TURNER, JUANITA Age 76, of Westland, passed away October 7, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Hobert. Dear mother of Arnold, Darrell, Steven Brenda Samuels, Delores Heffner, Rochelle Heffner, Debra Jacques, and Kathy Rohn. Also survived by 2 brothers, 2 sisters, 26 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Services were held October 10 at Uht Funeral Home with interment at Mt. Hope Memorial Cemetery.

WALWORTH, FLORENCE Age 72, of Belleville, passed away October 12, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Vemon. Dear mother of James (Brenda) Walworth and Judy Cromwell. Also survived by 2 stepgrandchildren and 1 stepgreat grandchildren. Memorial contributions to wishes of the Walworth family would be appreciated. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home.

WIMBERLY, JERRY Age 41, passed away September 3, 1997. Loving son of Ruth. Beloved brother of Walta and Otis. Services were held at St. John's Missionary Church. Arrangements by Penn

Funeral Home.

WOLLSCHLAGER,

FRANCIS Age 61, of Westland, passed away October 4, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Jeanne. Dear father of Cheryl (Mark) West, Michelle (Tim) Kettler, Frank Wollschlager and Eric (Sandra). Loving son of Agnes Wollschlager. Also survived by 2 brothers and 5 grandchildren. Services were held October 8 at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Memorial contributions to American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

YOUNG, MARTHA

Age 80, of Westland, passed away October 6, 1997. Beloved wife of the late Robert. Dear mother of Nora Belle (Durward) Brittain, Bettie (William Peters, Carolyn Sue (Ray) Clayton, Wilma Rosa (Jim Molitor, David (Joyce), Dana (Jean), Joseph Robert (Kay) and Jerry Wayne (Louise). Also survived by 21 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren. Services were held October 9 at Uht Funeral Home with interment at Parkview Cemetery. Family suggests memorials to the Heart Foundation.

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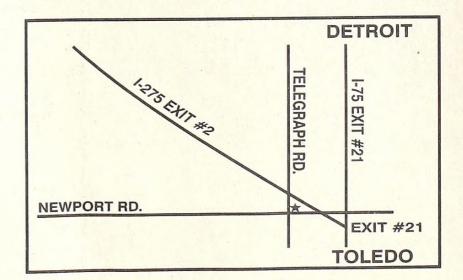
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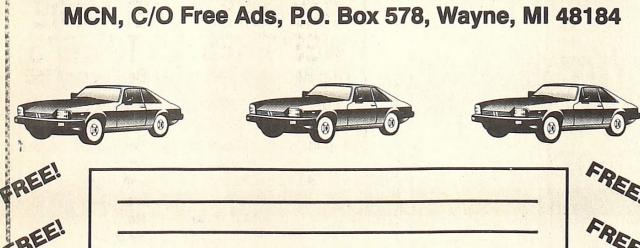
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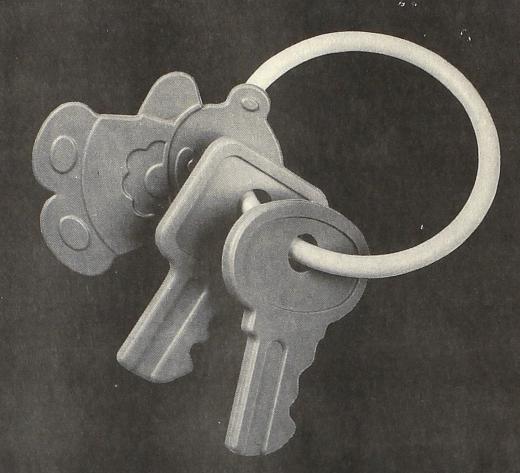
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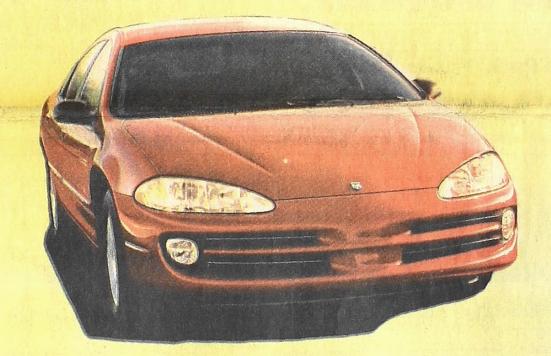
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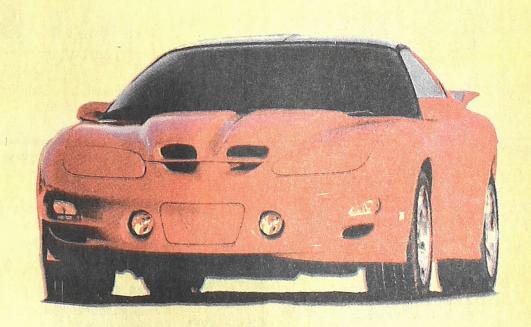
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New, redesigned autos make entrance in showrooms

There are several all new, totally redesigned vehicles for 1998. One of them is the Cadillac Seville, it arrives on a version of the Oldsmobile Aurora platform, which is also used by the Riviera and Park Avenue. The car will be used to spear head GM's drive to boost car sales in Europe. The StabiliTrak stability-enhancement system will be available on all front-wheel drive Cadillacs. They system applies one of the front brakes to help control the cars you rate and prevent a skid or spin out.

The soft-top version of the fifth generation Corvette is finally on sale, which is odd since it was developed before the coupe version, which has been on sale since July. All the Cavalier convertibles will be Z24 models instead of LS models, so they will come with a 150 horsepower 2.4 liter twincam engine standard. The base Cavalier's 2.2 liter engine is tweaked to produce five more pound-feet of torque.

The Camaro gets a face lift. It shows a new grill on its front end. The hood and the

fenders are new designs, and you can order the fancy body work of the SS hot rod model on a standard Z28. The engine available on the new Camaro is a version of the Corvette's aluminum LS1 V-8 making either 305 or 320 horsepower. The Prism sedan loses its Geo badge and is all new, it gets more horsepower and is lighter. The Lumina four-door and the Monte Carlo get stiffer front shock-absorbing valving.

Chevy Blazer gets a new instrument panel and grill, the Venture mini van now has a driver's side rear sliding door available on short wheel-base models, and side airbags. The Malibu, the S10, and Tracker are all carried over from last year with no major changes.

The Chrysler Concorde and the Dodge Intrepid are restyled in an aggressive round shape and maintain their cab forward profile and impressive interior packaging. They are powered by either a DOHC 2.7 liter V-6 or a SOHC 3.2 liter V-6 both with more power and better fuel economy. The new Durango sport-ute, based on



the mama bear sized Dakota pickup, will arrive this fall, it's wheelbase is 10 inches longer than the Jeep Grand Cherokee's and it's designed to hold up to eight passengers, more than most minivans. It will get the 5.9 liter V-8 of the Cherokee but with five more horse-

The Ford Contour SVT sports sedan is now on sale with a 195 horsepower 2.5 liter V-6 that is up 25 hp from the standard Contour. Mustang GT gets a 10 hp increase to 225 and there's not going to be a new Probe until 1999. The Escort ZX2 was introduced last may as a 1998, and it comes standard with the 130 hp 2.0 liter twin-cam four cylinder instead of the standard Escort's 110 hp 2.0 liter. Crown Victoria gets a major face-lift later in the '98 model year. An all new F-350 There are several all new totally redesigned vehicles for 1998.

joins the F-series later in the year. The Explorer sport-ute has more precise steering for '98. Ranger compact pickup is redesigned, with a stronger frame. It also gets the Explorer's rack-and-pinion steering. The regular cab models offer more interior room, the dash panel is redesigned, and the five-speed automatic transmission from the Explorer is added to the Ranger. And the Probe and Thunderbird are dead!

GMC has something good going, the big four-wheelers. Yukon and suburban get a new standard four-wheel drive system. The Jimmy and the Sonoma Composite headlights and a larger grill opening, so you can tell them apart from their Chevy cousins more easily. Bid red GMC logos replace the old fashioned GMC-Truck logos on the tailgates. The Sierra can be optioned to run on either gas or compressed natural gas. The Safari and Savana are mostly unchanged.

The four cylinder G20 by Infiniti will make a return in the spring, with a longer wheelbase and a larger interior. The styling is evolutionary. A cell phone and GPS-based communication system is added to the Q45 and I30. The QX4 sport-ute carries over the J30 ceases production.

Jeep Grand Cherokee gets an even bigger V-8, a 5.9 liter rated at 245 hp. The four-speed automatic transmission is beefier. The interior is also redesigned.

Body styling on the Lincoln Continental is rounded front and rear so that the corners don't protrude as far. The windshield was laid back bit, and the hood and grill are all new. The trunk is larger but the interior is slightly smaller. The restyled '98 Town Car is 3.6 inches shorter than the '97, and it comes with a new rear suspension and a little more power.

Pontiac worked wonders with it's new Firebird, it gets a whole new face lift for '98. Trans Am is about two things, pavement eating performance and flashy styling. It also gets a new engine. An all aluminum 5.7 liter LS1 V-8, similar to the Vette's power plant. The WS6 Ram Air package is available on the new motor, raising output to 320 hp. The new Firebird is built on last years platform, but it has new gascharged shocks, so it rides and handles better. The front and rear styling is less bulky looking, and over-all is 2.2 inches shorter than the '97.

The supercharged 240 hp Grand Prix now has traction control, and the base Sunfire 2.2 liter four cylinder gets a boost. And expect a new Grand Am early in '98.

Consumers reveal in survey what makes them car buyers

During an informal survey of Western Wayne County residents, the question was posed: What is the main feature that would compel you to purchase a 1998 car?

As one would image, the answers were as varied as the people surveyed. Some wanted comfort, others safety, but most would-be buyers would pick their next vehicle on the basis of styling.

Lenore Cicotte of Van Buren Township said, "I'd like to choose not to have an airbag. I'm short and I'm concerned about the safety factor for me. I'd like to see airbags as an option."

Wayne resident Ken Knedgen said, "It's the styling and looks that would entice me to buy."

I'd like to choose not to have an airbag, I'd like to see airbags as an option.

- Lenore Cicotte

Ken Wright, the owner of Ken's Airport Shuttle, presented a 20-something slant on what features are important to

"I want a car that looks cool and sounds tough," said Wright.

Business owner Bob Stoner commented, "There's quality in all of the new cars, so I'd go for the looks."

Bob O'Keefe of the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce would choose comfort as the main attraction of a new car, and Belleville businessman Tony Sam agrees.

Sumpter Township resident Harold Kasten would choose a new car for "comfort and ride.'

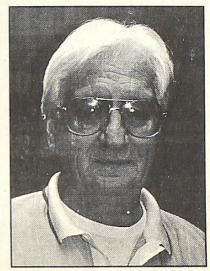
Duane Zinner looks for a stylish body when he selects a car, and his wife, Siena, wants a roomy interior.

"Performance and a quiet ride," said Joe D'Amico.



Bob O'Keefe

John Glenn High School student Nathan Olds, 15, isn't in the car market, yet, but if he CD player plus good accelera-



Harold Kasten

was choosing a 1998 car, he would want "a leather interior,



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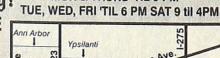
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According to Steve Whitener at Briarwood Ford, the car company has so many top selling vehicles on the market, it would be hard to predict which will be the best-seller for 1998.

"Our Expedition, which came out this year, is very popular, and will continue to be,' said the general sales manager. "People seem to love it. It's a lot of vehicle for the price, especially when you lease it. They are being leased and sold as quickly as they come in. The new Escort ZX2 is very nice looking, and is priced competitively. Our Taurus is a good, practical, family vehicle, which has been a favorite for years. We're also selling a lot of trucks. Just about everything seems to be selling briskly.'

The Ford Windstar has been rated as one of the safest on the market, making it another favorite with consumers.

"Safety is an issue," Whitener said. "People want to feel secure in a safe vehicle. Many mini-van owners have chilit. They are being leased and sold and quickly as they come in.

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- Steve Whitener

dren, and they want to be assured that they will be safe in the vehicle.'

About half of all people looking at new cars are choosing to lease, according to the general sales manager. With the program, the vehicle is under factory warranty, and the customer gets a new car every two years.

"We present information about both options, and then let the customer choose," Whitener explained. "Some

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A is for Acura -- the SLX sports utility, the RL and Integra, and -- Audi, A-4 and A-6.

B Is for Bentley - the Continental R and Azure convertible; the BMW - 823i coupe and 823i convertible; Buick - with OnStar communication system, and new Park Avenue, Park Avenue Ultra and Skylark

C is for Chevrolet – Corvette convertible, new styled Prizm, Cavalier Z24 convertible plus \$10 and Blazer; Cadillac – new Seville and Catera; Chrysler – Concorde, Town and Country and Sebring convertible.

D is for Dodge -- new Durango plus Ram and Quad Cab Ram, Intrepid, Dakota, Caravan plus Ram Van and Wagon.

E is for Escort -- the ZX2 coupe, Contour plus Taurus, Windstar and Thunderbird (which will be gone for two years or more) and Eagle -- The Talon and Vision, which will disappear after 1998.

F is for Ford, of course, with its many models.

G is for GMC trucks, the Jimmy and Sonoma plus Yukon.

U is for the ultimate vehicle which all manufacturers are trying to build.

H is for Honda -- Accord EX and Accord LX; Hyundai -- with Accent GSi.

with Accent GSi.

I is for Isuzu - Rodeo, and

Infinitri – 130 and Q45.

J is for Jeep – new Grand
Cherokee and Cherokee 5.9
Limited plus Wrangler, and
Jaguar – XJ8 sedan.

K is for the karma that makes some models popular and puts others on the road to oblivion.

L is for Lincoln - new Town Car and Continental and the Navigator (built in Wayne) sports utility vehicle.

M is for Mercury - Mystique, Sable and Cougar; Mercedes-Benz - the ML320 sport utility vehicle and CLK sports coupe; Marda 626 seden and B copies

Mazda 626 sedan and B-series.

N is for Nissan -- Altima,
Maxima and Frontier pickup
plus Sentra.

O is for Oldsmobile – Bravada sports utility, Intrigue, Aurora and Silhouette.

P is for Plymouth – the pur-

ple Plymouth Prowler, Voyager and Breeze; Pontiac -- Firebird, Trans Am, Trans Sport mini-van, Bonneville, and Porsche -- new 911 Carrera.

Q is for a quieter ride -sought after by vehicle purchasers.

R is for ride -- smooth and comfortable.

S is for Subaru — new Forester, Outback Sport and Impreza; Suzuki — Esteem; Saab — 900S coupe with luxury sport sedan 9-5 introduced in the spring; and Saturn.

U is for the ultimate vehicle which all manufacturers are trying to build.

T is for Toyota - Corolla and Sienna.

V is for Volkswagen - new

Passat, GTI, Golf and Jetta.

W is for Volvo with new Sand V-designed cars plus sporty C70 coupe.

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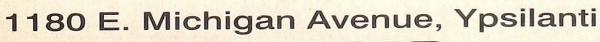


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Expedition a hot seller for Ford

Of the over 600 cars, trucks, and vans on the lot at Atchinson Ford, the most popular may be the new Escort ZX2, or Expedition.

The ZX2 is a two-door sport sedan which has a real appealing style, according to General Manager John Sinevecki.

The hottest vehicle on the lot may be the Expedition, a full-sized sport utility vehicle. Of course, the number one vehicle sold in the United States is the F-150, according to Sinevecki. Explorers and Windstars are also selling quite

Purple seems to be a favorite color among car buyers in the last couple of years, although green is the number Sinevecki said the new car

market is very strong, a trend he expects to continue.

"I don't see anything curtailing it," he explained. "Next year will be either equal or better than 1997."

Atchinson Ford is located at 9800 Belleville Road in Belleville.

Trucks are 'hot' for 1998

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Staff Writer

Trucks are hot! Jack Demmer Ford at 37410 Michigan Ave. Wayne, is lucky to be right across the street from the Ford Truck Plant, because trucks don't have to travel very far before they are

"The new Expeditions are getting a lot of play," said Steve

The new Expeditions are getting a lot of play.

- Steve Urgman

Urgman, manager Jack Dem-



1998 Jeep Grand Cherokee-

Sport utility predicted as best seller for 1998

Fall clearance sales are going on throughout the area, as car dealerships try to move their 1997 vehicle stocks to prepare for the arrival of the 1998 line of cars and trucks.

Jeff Scott, general sales manager at Dick Scott Dodge, believes there are several vehicles in the Dodge line-up which will make a big impression on consumers in the coming year.

"Our new Durango will be a big seller," Scott said. "It's a mid-sized sport utility vehicle. We're real excited about it. We also have the new Intrepid, which has been totally redesigned. It will be coming out at the end of November. The Caravans will also continue to be very strong sellers. We also have a lot of people interested in our quad-cab, a truck with four-doors, which is pretty desirable."

Safety and styling are very important factors customers Our new Durango will be a big seller. We're real excited about it.

- Jeff Scott

consider when purchasing a new vehicle, according to the general sales manager.

"Safety is important, but it has to look good too," Scott said. "It could be the safest vehicle around, but people won't buy it if it doesn't look good

When you are looking at a vehicle, what's the first thing you notice? Probably its color. Scott said different shades of green are still very popular with consumers, but there are larity. According to Scott,

"We are a five-star dealership," Scott said. "Customer service means a lot to us. We are willing to work with the customer whether they decide on leasing instead of buying or selling. We won't force them into anything. We just want to make sure they are happy with

Dick Scott Dodge is located at 684 W. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.



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Chevy Malibu continues popularity

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The Chevrolet Malibu. 1997's Car of the Year, will be a top seller again during the 1998 sales year, Ken Gillespie, general sales manager at University Chevrolet, predicted last week.

The four-door family size Malibu is considered the right size vehicle by many families today, Gillespie said, as it carries many quality options and an affordable price tag starting in the \$16,000 range.

Other top sellers at the Ypsilanti dealership at 1180 Michigan avenue, will include:

•the Cavalier, a giant sales leader since it was redesigned in 1995 and serves as one of the top entry level autos on the market today starting at

\$11,800. •the four door Venture van that has been exploding in sales with a variety of configurations and aggressive minivan front wheel styles.

By JENNY JOHNSON

MCN Staff Writer

When survey about the 1998

Suburban GM at 444 James

auto selling year, the following

L Hart Parkway, Ypsilanti,

can't keep the 1998 Grand Prix.

comments were made:

Hot buys for 1998

The four-door family size Malibu is considered the right size vehicle by many families today, as it carries many quality options and an affordable price tag starting in the \$16,000 range.

- Ken Gillespie

•the popular Blazer, which continues to draw customers because of its great reputation and repeat buyer appeal.

•the S10 Pick-up trucks that also are having prior customers coming back for the latest models.

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Nick Wang of Suburban,

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on customers. There's no pres-

sure and we have a great selec-

tion," he said.

said, "It's a very powerful good

looking car with great fea-

Revamped, Explorer, Ranger, hot for '98

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The revamped Ford Explorer and redesigned Ranger are already being greeted with enthusiasm by Western Wayne County vehicle buyers, John Liogas, new car sales manager of Village Ford, revealed last

The Explorer has added more precise steering in its 1998 models, Liogas said, and the Ranger now has a fresher look and stronger frame. It also comes in a base fourWhile the 1998 Expedition model is virtually unchanged from last year's model, it has already been proved hard to keep in stock.

- John Liogas

cylinder model as well as a optional V-6.

The Ranger also has more interior room in its regular cab models and offers a redesigned dash panel.

Liogas also revealed that while the 1998 Expedition model is virtually unchanged from last year's model, it has already been proved hard to keep in stock.

Village Ford had an excellent sales year in 1997 and expects a record year of sales for

its 1998 models, Liogas predicted.

Volvo Wagon

Also on the market is the Contour SVT sports sedan with 195-hp and a 2.5-liter V-6 engine. Complete with new steering mechanisms, steering the Contour is now steadier and easier to handle in bumpy road areas.

The Crown Victoria will be given a major freshening up later in the sales year, ob-

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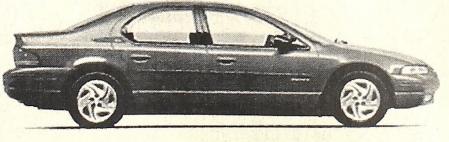
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Mercedes SKL features power folding steel hardtop

By KAREN STRONSKI MCN Automotive Writer

Mercedes recently came out with a new sports car. And what a sports car it is! It's an early 1998 model that has a starting price of 39,700. The SLK as it is known, has one major attraction. This most talked-about feature is its power folding steel hardtop, which goes from a normal top to a convertible with just the touch of a button.

The roof of the SLK is hinged to retract into the trunk. However, the trunk lid has a double hinged mechanism, opening in the usual way for cargo, but also tilting up at the rear whenever the top is raised or lowered. What a neat idea. You can go from hardtop to convertible in less than 30 seconds.

While driving this sport/ luxury coupe, you cannot believe all of the heads that this car turns. I felt like a princess on prom night in this one. I'm sure that the color had a lot to do with all of the looks though. It was a bright Penske yellow. You couldn't miss this car going down the road.

The rear-drive SLK uses a supercharged 2.3 liter 4-cylinder engine with dual overhead camshafts and 191 horsepower. Premium fuel is mandatory. The only transmission available is a 5-speed automatic with a his and hers shifter. For a four cylinder, this car was surprisingly quick. With just the touch of a toe from a dead stop at a traffic light, this little number got out of the gate like a jack rabbit on steroids.

Mercedes SLK comes with dual front and side airbags (the latter mounted in the doors) for added safety. It also has anti-lock brakes and a sensor in the passengers seat that deactivates the airbag when a special Mercedes child seat is

While driving this sport/luxury coupe, you cannot believe all of the heads that this car turns.

installed. However, I would not recommend putting an infant in this car. It's simply too small, and I can't imagine it being all that safe for a small

This Benz also comes with a functional rollbar behind each seat but, with the top up it really impedes your vision. The blind spots in this car are bad. You can't see anything using your driver's side mirror, and if you turn around to look, you still can't see because of the high rollbars.

Additional standard equipment includes automatic slip regulation traction control, 16inch polished alloy wheels, performance tires that are slightly wider in the rear, twotone leather seats, and power everything. You can even purchase a phone that is already installed in your new vehicle, but it comes with a high price.

The handling and suspension in this Mercedes are great, I could not believe just how well it handled. The transmission shifts smoothly and down shifts quickly for passing. Mileage isn't bad for a sports car: I averaged 24 miles per gallon in a mix of city and highway driving. Keep in mind that premium gas is required for this high performance car.

With its short wheelbase and taut suspension, the SLK

tle body lean and tight grip in turns. The trade-off, however, is a ride that is not luxury car supple. Though it's never really harsh, it takes a smooth road to produce a real smooth ride. The body feels impressively solid for a convertible, exhibiting little of the cowl shake that usually accompanies topless cars.

Entry and exit are easier in the SLK than in many sports cars despite the low profile. All of the gauges are right where you would put them and all are easy to see with the top up. However, with the top down in the sunshine, you cannot see the analog liquid crystal displays at all. Since the steering wheel telescopes but doesn't tilt, some may find the driving position a little uncomfortable. That was not the case with me. I found the seats and the steering wheel to fit me

like a glove. There's adequate trunk room with the top up but little with it down. Storage space in the cockpit consists only of a small space behind the seats. Shallow map pockets on the doors, a small glove box and a bin in the center console. Two cup holders slide out of the dash but don't hold cups very well. While the thin roof pillars of the hard folding top promise better visibility than is usually found in convertibles, a forest of headrests and roll bars' block most of the

This car is very small, and doesn't have much storage room but I really liked it. It was fun to drive, the top goes down with ease, the gas mileage was impressive, it handled better than any car that I have driven and for all that it provides, the price was right. Make sure that you put this one on the top of your shopping list when looking for a two-seater luxury sport-coupe!





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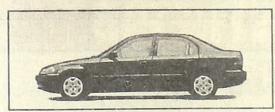




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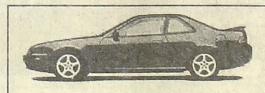


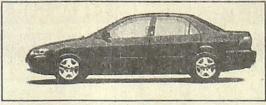
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Venture van captures interest of car buyers

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The new design and flexible style features of the Venture van are already capturing the interest of the 1998 car year buyers, said Ken Tennyson of Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia.

The van is already proving popular with today's modern family because of its good power and its four-door accessibility, Tennyson said.

Also sure to be a top seller for 1998 is last year's Car of the Year the family size Malibu, he Isaid. With its new design and modern new styling features, Tennyson added, the Malibu provides plenty of interior space for today's family members lifestyles.

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Remaining a favorite with truck buyers is Chevrolet's full size pick-up.

- Ken Tennyson

Also popular are the exciting sports vehicles, the long-time favorite Suburban and the much newer Tahoe models.

Remaining a favorite with truck buyers is Chevrolet's full size pick- up, Tennyson said.

The Tennyson sales offices are on Plymouth road, between Merriman and Farmington in Livonia.

Century predicted as top in sales for 1998

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The 1998 Century will be the top of the line sales vehicle at Zubor Buick Inc. in Taylor, Mike Zubor revealed last week.

The well equipped Century features a powerful V-6 engine, keyless entry and numerous options. It offers a multitude of color options both with its interior and exterior, Zubor said.



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NAIAS celebrates 10th anniversary as an International Auto Show

1998 marks the North American International Auto Show's 10th year as an international auto show.

The 1998 show, sponsored by the Detroit Auto Dealers Association, at Detroit's Cobo Center opens to the public on Saturday, Jan. 10 and runs through Monday, Jan. 19. Press days are scheduled for Monday, Jan. 5 through Wednesday, Jan. 7, with some events held off the show floor on Sunday, Jan. 4.

It was at Detroit's first international show 10 years ago that Toyota's Lexus and Nissan's Infiniti luxury marques and their first products, the flagship LS400 and the Q45, respectively, were unveiled to the world.

Since then, hundreds of other production vehicles and concept cars have used the

NAIAS as their stage for worldwide and North American debut. As a result, the NAIAS has risen swiftly in stature to become the most important auto show in North America and one of the top auto shows in the world, sharing the spotlight with shows in Frankfurt, Tokyo, Geneva and Paris. The NAIAS is the only North American show sanctioned by the prestigious Organization International des Constructeurs d' Automobiles. (Based is Paris, OICA is the official sanctioning body for international auto shows.)

"It is hard to believe that we are already celebrating our 10th year as an international show," said Pete Rosenau, co-chairman of this year's NAIAS and president of Rosenau Honda-Hyundai-Volkswagen-Mazda, Inkster. "Walk through

a parking lot or showroom or drive down the street and you realize how many of those vehicles first appeared at NAIAS. It is amazing."

Indeed, over the past decade, 411 new concept and production vehicles have been introduced at the NAIAS. In addition, 700 cars and trucks are displayed by more than 40 automotive manufacturers. The vast array of production models and vehicle introductions draw media and the public to the show. In 1988, its last year as a local event, the show attracted 453 members of the media; last year, 4,720 credentialed media representing 59 countries covered the show.

"We are truly grateful for the outstanding support which we have received from the manufacturers, media, the industry and, of course, the com-

munity, which has opened its arms and hearts to help support this important event," said Harold Kuhn, show cochairman, DADA president and president of Park Motor Sales in Detroit.

The show's 10th anniversary comes on the heels of a record setting year in 1997. The show closed its 10-day run, posting seven attendance records, including best overall attendance of 725,796 people and four one-day attendance records.

The 1997 show also set new records for attendance and money raised for the Charity Preview. Approximately 15,000 people attended the black-tie affair, raising an all-time high of \$2.6 million for 10 metropolitan Detroit children's char-

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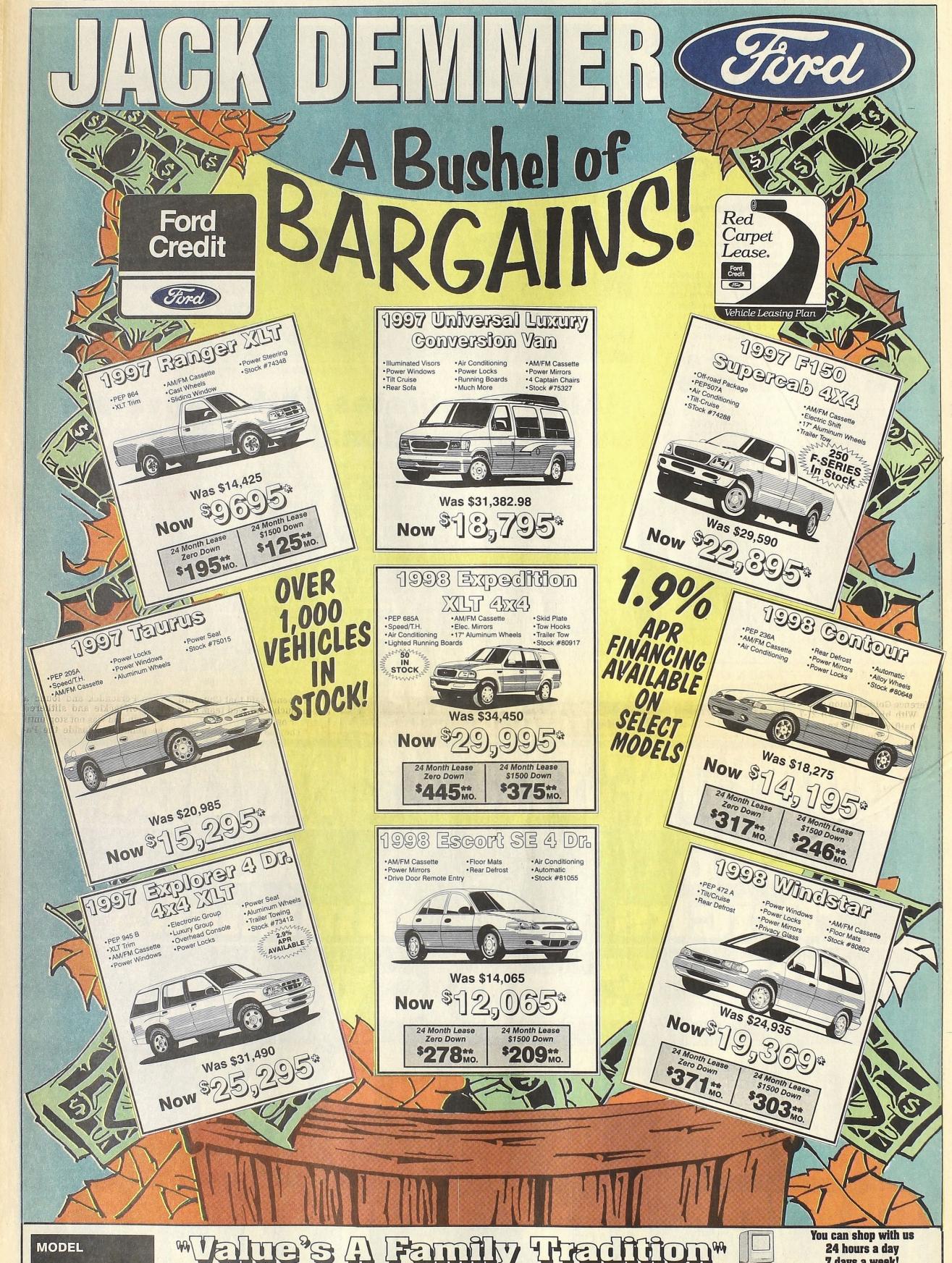
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Who is No. 1 in the Lakes?

Undefeated John Glenn, Walled Lake Central to battle for divisional title

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Who is No. 1 in the Western Lakes Conference, Lakes Division?

That question will be answered Friday night when undefeated Walled Lake Central entertains defending conference champ and also undefeated Westland John Glenn.

The duel between the top two Lakes Division teams will pit the more physical Central's size against Glenn's speed and experience.

The outcome of the divisional title game will decide which of the two teams will have the dubious honor of playing undefeated Farmington Hills Harrison. Harrison is considered an overwhelming favorite by the conference coaches to win the 1997 conference title.

In the meantime, Glenn keeps on edging toward that inevitable showdown.

The Westlanders helped North Farmington usher in the New Year with a 19-7 victory on Yom Kippur. NF officials asked Glenn to reschedule the game for the afternoon hours so not to conflict with the Jewish Holiday, which began at sundown Friday.

The Rockets, of course, obliged.

Not until late in the first quarter did Glenn managed to light up the scoreboard. Senior quarterback Justin Berent engineered a nine play, 86 yard drive that culminated with BeMatt Biddinger.

Junior Glenn fullback John Pettit did most of the roadwork in that Rocket drive.

Glenn got a extra point from kicker Rob Mason. With 2:36 left in the quarter, the defending Lakes and conference champ was up 7-0.

North Farmington, in a holiday mood, managed to penetrate inside the Rockets' 10yard line thanks to their exceptional tailback Kirk Moundros, who rushed for 119 rent's four-yard TD pass to yards on 27 attempts during

the afternoon.

In the meantime the NF defense managed to hold the Rockets scoreless the rest of the half but their defense began to unravel shortly after the intermission. In the third quarter Glenn tailback Reggie Spearmon quietly took command as he picked up 50 of 69 yards and wrapped up the drive with a four-yard TD run which had him split the middle of the line to reach the end

Spearmon again woke up

the NF defense when, with 10:38 showing in the fourth quarter, he darted two-yards across the goal line, a run that polished off Berent's eightplay, 71-yard drive. That drive was kept alive thanks to Chet Reese's 13-yard gain that gave the Rockets a key first down at the NF 32.

With 40 seconds left in the game, quarterback Brett Riley connected on a short pass for a touchdown that spoiled Glenn's shutout bid.

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'Old pro' pulls out win over Romulus

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

There apparently still are a few tricks in the old pro's football bag.

Coach Robert Yauck pulled them out Friday night and, like magic, turned what appeared to be a sure Robichaud loss to a 25-21 victory over a stunned Romulus in a key Mega Conference Gold Division game.

With his team down 21-7 at halftime, Yauck knew he had to get his Bulldogs out of their trance. Not only was the divisional title at stake, but a post-season state playoff berth as well.

Romulus struck early against their visitors and built up a 21-7 lead before the half. It appeared that coach Mark Woodson and his Eagles were on their way to their biggest victory in recent years.

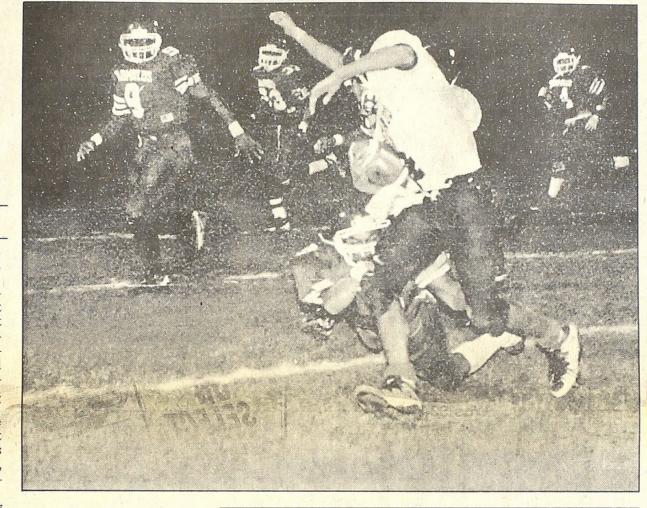
In the locker room at half time, Yauck's admonished his players, he said, and called for commitment as he realigned the defense to handle Russell (Fred Russell, junior tailback).

Whatever the veteran coach said, it worked.

Robichaud shut down Romulus offense and went on to score three touchdowns to seal the victory. The Bulldogs, undefeated in the league and 5-1 overall, remain atop of the standings. They share first place with Carlson which has an untainted 6-0 record.

"I just told the kids they didn't have a chance in the world to reach the playoffs if they lost this one," Yauck said later. "I think they got the message."

Romulus coach Mark Woodson, who is a Robichaud alumnus and one of Yauck's proteges, said "they (Robichaud) came out with



Robichaud fullback Jason Mallov (white jersey) can't shake a determined Romulus defender who manages to down the senior ball carrier on this play. But Malloy later teamed up Devaron Gray to generate enough second-half yardage that lifted the visitors to a 25-21 victory in a key Mega Conference Gold Division game. At the right, "old pro" Bob Yauck was forced to dig deep into his hat of tricks to come up with some plays that turned the game around for Bulldogs, who are slowly zeroing in on the first Gold Division title. Photos by Aaron Oritz

intensity in the second half, while our offense sputtered. Give them a lot of credit. They could have quit after we had built up that lead, but they didn't.

"It just goes to show you never can take anything for granted. Am I disappointed? Tremendously, but this team will come back."

The loss also spoiled Woodson's birthday celebra-



tion. He turned 37 years old Friday night.

Romulus and junior running back Freddie Russell make an early statement as Russell came up with a 59yard touchdown run, by darting in an out of a Robichaud defense, pushing off of the Bulldog linebackers who could not stop him in the first half.

As he crossed the goal

line and into the end zone in the first quarter, Russell had more than 3,000 home-

coming fans on their feet. Derek Plave, who was assigned the kicking duties after sustaining a broken hand two weeks ago, converted for the Eagles who suddenly had a 7-0 lead.

Robert Boykins, a junior,

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Weary Wayne returns home

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

Wayne coach Chuck Howton is probably wondering what it takes to win one this season.

Howton's weary Zebras blew a 15-0 lead Friday at Dearborn and dropped a 16-15 Mega Conference Red Division decision to the Pioneers who scored all of their touchdowns in the final 12 minutes.

If that loss isn't a confidence-shatterer, then what is?

"This one was a tough one to stomach," said Howton, who now must prepare his team (1-5) for Wyandotte (2-4). "When you're up by 15 going into the last quarter you expect to

Dearborn booted a 21-yard field goal with three seconds left to seal Wayne's fate.

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Wayne deserved better. Tailback Charlie Leverenz showed he came to play as he came up with a 12-yard touchdown run to give the visitors a 6-0 lead midway in the first quarter and, after the conver-

sion failed, Wayne was up 6-0. The Zebras made it 9-0 late

in the second quarter as Jeremy Overton booted a field goal that barely had enough lift to it to skim the bar of the upright.

"The defense played well in that first half and our offense looked good," Howton commented. "When we got that second TD, I thought we were on the right track."

Wayne built on its lead after the intermission as sophomore

quarterback Shane Nowak and receiver Mingo Cameron teamed up on a 45- yard strike that jolted Dearborn's homecoming crowd.

The jolt also may have awaken the Pioneers who came back in the last 12 minutes and scored two unanswered touchdowns, then connected on the decisive field goal.

Wayne Memorial will host Wyandotte at 1 p.m. on Saturday. The game will be Wayne's

homecoming game. "Wyandotte is a fine team that played three OTs before losing to Dearborn," Howton said. "We must be prepared to play four quarters on Saturday

if want to win."

It may be now or never for Khoenle's Chiefs

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

There's been one roadblock after another for Plymouth-Canton, but coach Bob Khoenle and the Chiefs may find themselves on the road to victory Friday night.

Winless in six starts after a frustrating 14-7 defeat at the hands of Livonia Franklin Friday night, Canton regroups to host Churchill, a team that has one victory in its six starts.

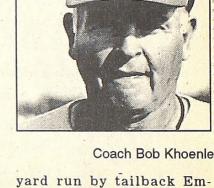
"We're just not playing the kind of football I know we are capable of," said the veteran Canton coach. "If we don't do it this week, it may not happen the rest of the season."

Khoenle said that Churchill is a much-improved team over a year ago.

"They have lost some close games. I don't think any of us are underestimating them."

Against Franklin, Canton managed to hold the Patriots scoreless until the second half before Franklin's top runner, Anthony Grech scored two touchdowns en route to a 100-plus vard rushing game.

The Chiefs managed to answer only one thanks to quarterback Jason Persondek's one-yard sneak in the last quarter. Persondek's TD was set up with a spectacular 65-



manuel Etim, who bolted from the backfield, got the hand-off from Persondek and found a hole off-tackle and slithered through and was not stop until he penetrated inside the Patriots' 20.

Matt Marcos booted the extra point.

Earlier, the Chiefs had a touchdown called back because of an infraction. Larry Anderson returned the second half kickoff 62 yards and scored only to see the TD nullified because of a clipping pen-

"The penalty hurt us," said the Canton coach. "I felt it changed the complexion of this game."

Twisters fall short in bid for league title

Riding the crest of a 41-12 victory over the Motor City Cougars that clinched the Western Division title for them, the Wayne County Twisters came up short Saturday in their bid for the Lake Shore Football League championship.

The Twisters lost the title in a thriller, 26-25, to the East Division champs, the Rebels.

The loss left General Manager J. Glenn Brothers and the Twisters with an impressive overall 9-3 record.

"The staff and the Wayne County Twisters board of directors wish to publicly acknowledge and congratulate these young men for a great season of outstanding football entertainment," Brothers said. "We were ever so close to winning it all, and are currently looking forward to the 1998 season with great anticipation."

Brothers said the Twisters may obtain the services of former Westland John Glenn star Tony Boles and possibly sign James Otis Williams to contracts next season.

"Both were national collegiate standouts at the University of Michigan," Brothers added.

The Twisters got on the scoreboard first against the North Coast Rebels as Jim Nagy connected on a field goal to open the second quarter. But the Rebs answered with 21 points and that lifted the champs to a 21-3 halftime lead.

After a scoreless third quarter, the Twisters came back in After a scoreless third quarter, the Twisters came back in the third quarter and scored 22 points to move out in front 25-21 in the closing minutes of the game.

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But the Rebels managed to survive the explosive Twisters' and came back with elusive running back Kareem Hunt's 82-yard punt return that returned the lead to the North Coast Divisional champ.

The victory qualified the Rebels to represent the American Football Association at the National AFA "Tournament of Champions".

"As a second year team, our players should hold their heads high," Brothers noted. "They have accomplished a lot. Not only did they compile a 9-3 record - and those three losses were by a total of 10 points - but they also were ranked seventh among the top 10 teams in the nation by the AFA. "This is an indication that some of the finest football players in Wayne County happen to be in our area."

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who started the season as the third string QB and moved up via injuries to senior Raymond Cook and Plave, continued to frustrate the visiting Bulldogs.

Early in the second quarter, Boykins struck again. He engineered a midfield drive that culminated with the Eagles' second TD, thanks to a two-yard keeper. That drive was set up by Norman Trotter's interception, the first of three tossed by Robichaud quarterback Quantey Riley.

Robichaud answered Romulus' second TD of the half with their first score. Tailback Devaron Grey got his team on the scoreboard with the first of his three

Gray scored on a 14-yard, off tackle play that looked so easy that Yauck called the play a couple of more times in the second half and they paid off with dividends.

Gray's first TD was capped by Riley's extra-point

With the score at 13-7, Romulus came back and widened the gap with Boykins' 25-yard pass to tight end Damion Crawford, who was all alone in the end zone. Boykins then came through with another completion, this one to Chris Huggins for the two-point conversion.

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lead, Romulus looked formi dable.

But looks, as anyone knows, can be deceiving.

Riley started to dissect the Romulus defense early in the third period. His second pass of that quarter was to fullback Jason Malloy who delivered the team's second TD without being touched by a Romulus defender.

Malloy made the reception and raced 48 yards to paydirt, making it a 21-13 game.

Malloy's catch lifted Robichaud's self-doubts. The Bulldogs intensified their efforts, and scored again on their first possession of the fourth quarter as Gray, on the patented off-tackle play, slithered into the opening and went 43-yards this time for the touchdown.

With the momentum quickly shifting over to Robichaud, the Bulldogs came back with what proved to be decisive touchdown with 7:03 on the clock. Again, it was Gray, on a nearly identical play that gave his first two scores, who scored the winning touchdown.

This time the elusive back went in from 34 yards

Gray finished with an incredible 227-yards on 24 attempts and three touchdowns. In six games, he has amassed 993-yards in 94 rushes and has 13 TDs to his credit. He also has successfully converted four

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two pointers.

Malloy finished with 39 yards rushing and also caught a TD pass.

Riley who had problems early in the game, completed two of eight passes for 72 yards and had three intercepted.

On the other side of the line, Russell had another outstanding evening. He rushed for 148-yards on 20 attempts and scored one TD. Fullback Charlie Thompson chipped in with 36 yards on 11 tries.

Defensively, Eddie Woods was the man of the hour. The Eagles' defensive cornerback came up with two big interceptions, had three solo tackles and one assist.

Boykins, who doubled as an outside linebacker also stood out on defense. He had four solos and three as-

The loss dipped Romulus' overall record to 4-2 on the year. They are 4-1 in the division (Gold). The trip to Carlson Friday night is a crucial one for coach Woodson's club. They must come away with a victory if they hope to remain in the title picture. (Carlson and Robichaud will play later this sea-

In the meantime, Robichaud will host its natural rival, Inkster, Friday afternoon. Although Inkster (1-5) has a wide range of problems, Yauck says that "the neighborhood rivalry always brings the best our of the kids.'

"This is one game I don't have to read the riot act to get these kids up for," Yauck said. "They don't have to be reminded who their opponent is or what's at stake."

Inkster coach Jerome Orr

"There is traditional rivalry between our two schools," Orr noted, "there is a lot of pride involved."

Willow Run spoiled Inkster's homecoming ceremony Friday afternoon, 31-6.

Inkster scored first on a first-quarter, 68-yard pass run play. Quarterback Randall Gaines and Thomas Cunningham teamed up for the TD dazzle.

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had the fifth-best time of the meet (16:34). Josh Keyes and his brother, Justin, led Glenn's pack. Josh turned in a 17:11, the eighth best time of the meet, while

in a fast 16:07. He erased the

record established a week ago

by Glenn's Josh Keyes, who

had toured the recently re-

across the finish line. Jon Lit-

tle and Ian Searcy were fin-

ished second (16:17) and third

(16:18) for the Rocks, who also

received an outstanding per-

formance from Nick Allen who

Stoll led two Salem runners

designed course in 17:11.

Rockets fall to 3rd

Central in division driver's seat

Justin finished 11th in 17:25. The Rockets also counted the scores of Paul Galbraith, who was 12th (17:38) and P. J.

Wolocko was 13th in 17:47. Glenn's fifth runner, Kevin Durigon, carded a 18:36, which was the meet's 22nd best time.

On Saturday, Glenn competed in the 13th annual Gabriel Richard Invitational and finished eighth in a field of 16 teams. The Rockets garnered 222 points for their eighth

Ann Arbor Pioneer came away with the first-place trophy, edging Novi, 84-89, for top honors. Saline's "A" Team was third with 93 points.

Plymouth Canton runners had the ninth-best point total (236), while Wayne Memorial wound up 15th with 395 points.

Livonia Stevenson's Rob Block had the fastest time in the invitational, narrowly beating Ben Evans of Birmingham Brother Rice to the wire. Block's winning time was posted as 16:11. Evans was a step behind - 16:13.

Josh Keyes, who ran 18th in 17:39, had the Rockets' best time. His brother, Justin, was, 26th in 17:50. Galbraith was 39th (18:04) and Wolocko, 49th (18:25). Durigon and Eric Sleep wound up 90th and 92nd.

Wayne Memorial received an excellent effort out of Chris Lind, who carded the invitational's 61st best time (18:40). Wayne's Steve Daniels, Tywon, Shelton, Marty Wilcox and Greg Wilcox also competed.

Stevenson is next Salem shuts out Farmington, 7-0

By TOM MOORADIAN MCN Staff Writer

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Three undefeated Western

Lakes Division cross country

teams - Westland John Glenn,

Plymouth-Salem and Walled

Lake Central - met last week to

decide who is No. 1 in the divi-

And when the last runner

crossed the finish line, Central

had the times to prove that

they deserve the coveted

Central destroyed the West-

landers 16-39, and held off a

strong challenge from Salem,

26-29, to come out of the tri-

meet unscathed and with the

the divisional standings, look-

ing down at the field with a

perfect 5-0 record. Salem

moved down one notch to sec-

ond place (4-1), while coach

Jess Shough's Rockets finished

performance out of Nate Stoll

who covered the Glenn course

Central got a record-setting

third with a 3-2 record.

Central stayed at the top of

Plymouth-Salem evened up its Western Lakes Division football record at the expense of Farmington last week, and Friday night the Rocks have a chance to go over the .500 mark at Livonia Stevenson.

But coach Tom Moshimer says the game with Stevenson won't be an easy one, despite the Spartans' dismal 1-5 overall record, "unless we can get our offense on track."

'I thought we played a solid all-around game on defense against Farmington last week," said Moshimer after the Rocks' 7-0 victory. "Unfortunately I can not say the same for our defense. I sincerely feel that we have the talent,

Salem got what proved to be the final point of the game...

but the execution hasn't been

Moshimer stressed that his corps of linebackers - Jason Lukasick, Eric Burleson and Jason Jones - and nose guard, Anwar Crutchfield - have come of age and played a solid game against Farmington. He warned that his team should not be misled by Stevenson's

"They've (Stevenson) have had a tough year, but they could do it to anyone at any given time." Salem broke a scoreless tie

against Farmington in the third quarter when quarterback Charlie Schmidt scored on a two-yard keeper early in the third quarter. The TD was set up by Jason Lukasick's catch of a deflected pass inside the Farmington 30.

Farmington held Salem for seven plays before Schmidt went into the end zone on the eighth play.

Salem got what proved to be the final point of the game when Jeff McKian successfully converted the extra point.

Farmington managed to penetrate inside the Salem's 40 only twice, reaching the 36 and the 34-yard line on two separate occasions.

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Spearmon had another excellent day as he rushed 26 times for 148 yards which included two TDs. Pettit had 12 attempts for 79 yards and receiver Eric Jones continue to dazzle with four catches and 54 yards.

Though you can't overlook, 6-7, 285-pound Glenn tackle Noah Schwartz if you tried to, it was Schwartz who managed to open the pathway for the Rockets running backs, especially for elusive Spearmon to slip through.

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Batten team earns quality certification

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

At mid-day on Thursday, employees and managers of Romulus-based Batten Manufacturing set aside their work to celebrate a prestigious achievement -- its QS-9000/ISO 9002 certification.

Some 60 employees gathered for a luncheon, served by management, and awards were presented to the "movers and shakers" of the project, including several special recognitions for team work.

For those outside of the manufacturing field, the numbers have little meaning, but to companies which vie for national and international business, the certifications mean the difference between future growth and stagnation.

Standards of quality and work procedures must be documented to qualify for the ISO 9002 and QS-9000 certifications. Those who meet the standards are eligible to bid for business with the Big Three automakers and many other large firms; those who do not qualify for the certification are excluded from the bidding process.

While some firms have not set a deadline on when they will require suppliers to be



Company founder C.J. Batten displays the award at the company luncheon. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

throughout the automotive industry that certification is a requirement in the near future, if not already required.

Although Batten's certification was registered on Sept. 17 of this year, the process to obtain certification began two years ago.

C.J. Batten, founder of the company, said the process began with a nucleus of people

certified, it is widely known who determined "what hasn't been done, what has been started and what needs to be done to attain certification."

Responsibility for different aspects of the certification was assigned and the employees worked as a team to document and implement the procedures.

"Attaining the certification was not the end of the process. We just don't maintain the status quo," Batten said. "It means that we must have continuous improvement.'

Batten emphasized that it took teamwork to attain the

He acknowledged that like many other innovations, not everyone was enthused about it at first, but as the firm moved through the steps, the enthusiasm increased.

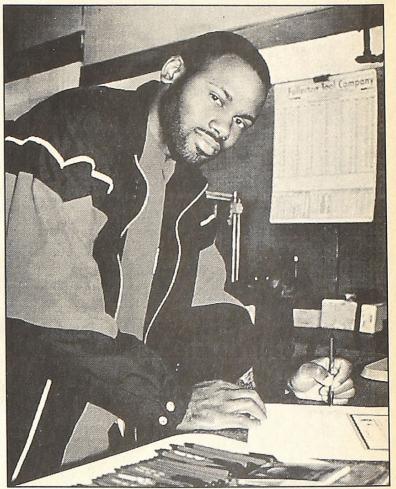
General Manager Bob Smith said some of the best suggestions for improvements at the work site "came from those doing the work." Smith distributed "Team

Player" awards in recognition of the efforts of all employees in the project.

Shop foreman Bill Krumbach agreed that teamwork was the key to success.

Omnex-Automotive Quality Systems Registrar certifies that the audits were conducted in accordance with the approved code of practices and opens the door for future growth of the Romulus firm specializing in precision machining of prototype and production engines and powertrain components.

Batten Manufacturing is a multi-faceted automotive, diesel, high-performance and marine power plant design, engineering and manufacturing company.



Shawn Kendrick of Inkster is one of the employees of Batten Manufacturing who helped to earn QS-9000/ISO-9002 certification for the Romulus-based auto supplier. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

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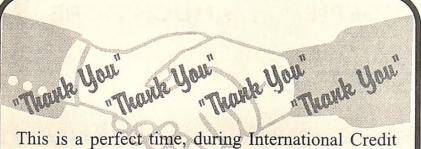
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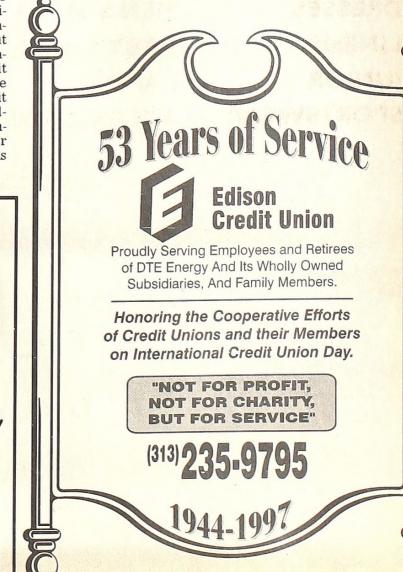
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Syible Marr is top employee in October

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

It's appropriate that an allaround employee should be selected as the MCN Employee of the Month for October -- the same month that MCN received seven Best Newspaper Contest awards.

Syible Marr was chosen for her cooperative spirit and her willingness to lend a hand to her fellow employees whenever needed. Although her present assignment is in the Accounting Department, Marr is a willing helper in the Advertising Department and her by-line can be seen on movie reviews in the MCN Sunday edition.

"Syible was chosen by her fellow managers as Employee of the Month, because of her willingness to go beyond her regular duties to assist in other departments when needed," said MCN Publisher Mike Wilcox.

"Her display of teamwork is the reason that MCN is able to win awards. Teamwork is the key to accomplishing goals," said Joan Dyer-Zinner, MCN managing editor.

During the transition period

Syible Marr was chosen for her cooperative spirit.

when a new circulation manager was named, Marr temporarily took over some circulation duties and trained the new manager -- in addition to keeping up with her responsibilities in the Accounting Department.

Marr is known for her good humor, spirit of cooperation and her willingness to go beyond her own duties whenever necessary.

In 1989, Marr was hired as an inserter, placing advertising sections inside the newspapers. When she learned that there was a position open in the Circulation Department, she applied for it and began supervising newspaper carriers. Later, she became circulation manager, and 15 months ago she was transferred to the



Syible Marr

Accounting Department where she is in charge of record keeping for the company.

"I like my job because I like to deal with people," Marr said. "I work with a great group of people, and I can always count on them for help."

Marr is a movie fan, enjoy-

ing comedies, suspense thrillers and horror films. She also makes ceramics.

She enjoys camping and traveling, and her favorite vacation spot is South Padre Island, Texas, which she describes as "a wonderful place to visit."

May wedding planned

A May 30 wedding at the Mulder Memorial Chapel of Western Theological Seminary in Holland is being planned by Laurie Michele Ellison of Wayne and David Scott Verry of Grand Haven.

She is the daughter of George and Claudie Ellison, and is a 1995 graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood in Bloomfield Hills. She plans to graduate from Hope College in May of 1998.

He is the son of Wayne Verry of Arlington, Va., and Sandee Verry of Grand Haven. The groom-to-be graduated in 1993 from Inerlochen Arts Academy in Interlochen, and from Hope College in 1997.

They plan a honeymoon in Gatlinburg, Tenn.



David Verry-Laurie Ellison

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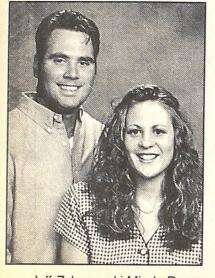
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Jeff Zaborowski-Mindy Rogers

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The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University, and is an employee of Environmental Testing and Consulting in Westland. Her parents are Barbara Rogers of Canton and Allan and Sue Rogers of Pinckney.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of Hartland High School and is employed as a carpenter for 3-B Carpentry.

His parents are John Zaborowski of Hartland and Jim and Dine Detzel of Brighton.

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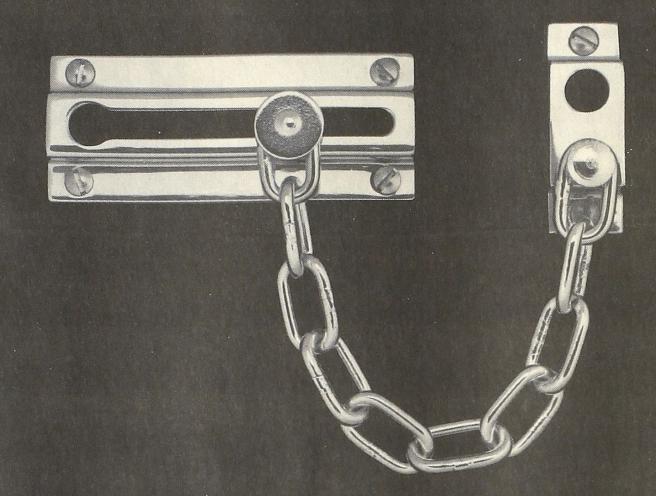
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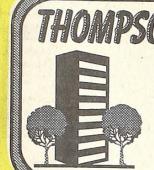
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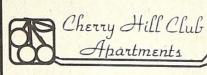
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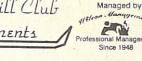
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Pair tell about 1950s television

By Ben E. Jet and Bob Harris

Hey kids, what time is it? Any Baby Boomer or member of the Benny and the Jets Band should be able to tell you.

It's Howdy Doody time, and before our own Baby Boomer and self-appointed head of the peanut gallery, Bob Harris, pipes in, let me tell you Buffalo Bob Smith of the 1950s Howdy Doody TV show is about to celebrate his 80th birthday. So, on behalf of Bob Harris, myself and Clarabell, "Happy Birthday, Buffalo Bob."

Growing up in Detroit, we not only had Buffalo Bob, we had Poop Deck Paul, Bozo, who became Opsy, Milky, Mr. Hoodini, Johnny Ginger, Soupy Sales and my favorite, Jingles the Clown.

Old-time TV viewers remember Bill Kennedy, Rita Bell, Sonny Eliot and how about Robin Seymore. At this time of year, there was Sir Graves Ghastly, Count Scary and the Ghoul.

Could you imagine being a youngster and walking up to Bob Harris' house and yelling, "Trick or Treat." Well, if that's not scary enough, here are

some of Bob's haunted picks: Night Terrors at Wiard's Orchard, 5565 Merritt in Ypsilanti, which features several attractions, including the Boo



Ben F Je

Barn for smaller kids. Also apple and pumpkin picking, ponyrides and crafts.

The Silo X, a haunted military base with special effects like green radio-active fog, high tech lighting, custom visual effects and a haunted military helicopter adjacent to the I-96-Wixom Road exit.

Livonia Jaycees, Haunted Halls of Doom in the Wonderland Mall parking lot, Howling Attractions in Romulus on Wahrman Road just east of I-275 or Bob's pick of the week: The Haunted Wayne Theatre, 35164 W. Michigan Avenue, where you can walk into a labyrinth of strange and mysterious experiences. Presented by the Palace Theater Company, with all proceeds going



Bob Harris

to the Historic Wayne Theatre Restoration Fund.

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Cops cover up crimes in 'Gang Related' caper

By Syible Marr Special Writer

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Gang Related stars James

Belushi and the late Tu-Pac Shakur as two cops out to make the quick buck.

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Good health starts in the family kitchen

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

When conversations turn to food, we often think back to our child-hood memories of flavorful soups, fried chicken, delicious casseroles and rich desserts from our mothers' kitchens.

There's nothing like "down home cooking," but after the nostalgia wears off and we bounce back to reality we recall that many of those wonderful treats were fat-laden and, consequently, unhealthy.

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But now Dawn Hall comes to our rescue with her book, Down Home Cookin' Without the Down Home Fat, published by Trade Life Books/ Honor Books.

From appetizers, snacks and beverages to breads, soups, main course and desserts, Hall serves up 230 home style recipes that look like very fattening foods, but aren't! They are easy-to-prepare low-fat versions of the kind of food we remember growing up with – the kind of foods that mom used to cook, like Southern Style Chicken Gravy and Biscuits, Chocolate Raspberry OOO-La-La Dessert and Three Layer Chocolate Mint Cake. She even includes a recipe for Four Cheese Lasagna, which only has 2 fat grams per serving with spaghetti sauce, and 1 fat gram without the sauce.

The book, on sale for \$17.99, has a spiral binding which makes it easy to use while cooking.

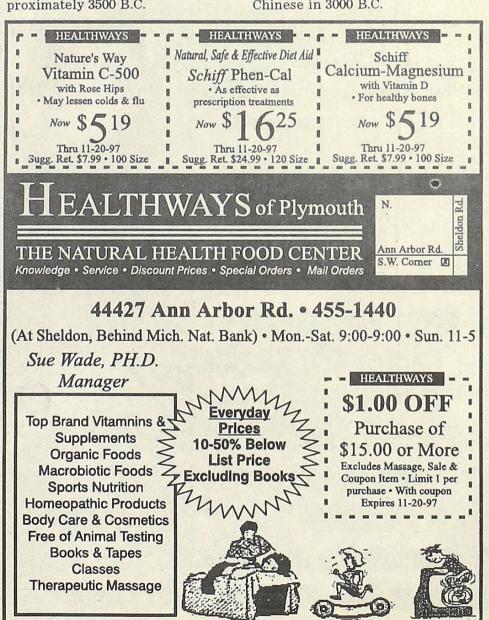
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Modern medicine has its roots in ancient times.

For example, the Sumerians in the Tigris-Euphrates valley developed such medications as gargles, inhalations, poultices, pills, lotions, ointments and plasters. The first drug catalogue was written in approximately 3500 B.C.

Among the early medications listed were: Salt dissolved in water as a gargle, and pulverized willow bark (nature's equivalent of aspirin) for headaches.

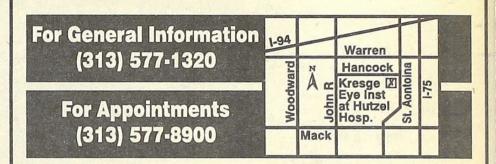
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Fat-proof children for healthy life

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

What we eat as children influences our diet as adults.

youngsters has a life long effect on their health, author Joseph Piscatella offers tips on how to improve children's eating habits in Fat-Proof Your Child.

"We all have a nagging suspicion that kids today, raised among computer games and fast food, are

than kids were just a generation ago," said Piscatella.

Piscatella has written several Aware of how the eating habits of other books on healthy eating, including Choices for a Healthy Heart, Controlling Your Fat Tooth, The Fat Tooth Fat-Gram Counter and Don't Eat Your Heart Out Cookbook.

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